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Ball Corporation

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

- [ ] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.
- Name and Address of Reporting Person(s) Lewis, Donald C.
   10 Longs Peak Dr.
   Broomfield, CO 80021-2510
- 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ball Corporation (BLL)
- 3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Day/Year 4/22/2003
- 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
- Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
  [ ] Director [ ] 10% Owner
  [X] Officer (give title below) [ ] Other (specify below)
  VP, ASST CORP SECY & GEN COUNS GENERAL COUNSEL
- Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) [X] Form filed by One Reporting Person
   [] Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

## Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Title

1)Title of Security		2)Trans- action Date	3.Trans- action Code	4.Securities or Disposed	Acquired(A) of (D) A	5)Amount of Securities Beneficially	Indirect
		(Month/ Day/Year)	Code V	Amount	or D Price	Owned at End of Month	
Common Stock		04/22/03	A	1,000	A	56,724	D Direct
Common Stock						813	I 401(k) plan
Table II (PART 1) Derivative	Securities Acc	uired, Dispose	ed of, or	Beneficially	Owned (Columns	1 through 6)	
1)Title of Derivative Security	or Exercise action Price of Date		,	4) Trans- 5) Number of Derivative action Securities Acquired (A)		-,	
			Code		osed of (D)	Exbi	Tation Date
	Derivative Security		Code	V A	D	Exer	cisable Expiration
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$56.3100	04/22/03	A	2,000		(1)	04/22/13
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Table II (PART 2) Derivative	Securities Acc	uirea, Dispose	ea or, or	Beneficially	Owned (Columns	1,3 and / thro	ugn 11) 
1)Title of Derivative Security	-, ,	itle and Amour	nt		8)Price	,	-, ,
	action of Date Sec	Underlying urities			of Deri- vative		

Amount or

Number of

Shares

Security

Beneficially or Ownership

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Owned at

End of Month

Employee Stock Option (right 04/22/03 Common Stock 2,000 2,000 D Direct to buy)

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Shares exercisable beginning one year after grant in 25% increments.
 - 401(k) Plan shares include shares acquired through periodic dividend reinvestment and employer matching contributions.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON /S/By: Mary L. Rose, Dir., Exec. Comp. Prog.

For: Donald C. Lewis

DATE 04/23/03