FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address NICHOLSON	of Reporting Person*		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BALL CORP [ BLL ]		ionship of Reporting Person all applicable) Director	(s) to Issuer	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/16/2003		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	
(Street)	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) $X$ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Form filed by More than C	ne Reporting Person	

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	06/16/2003		<b>J</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		1	A	49.23	72,097	D	

# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. Dividend reinvestment in Ball Corporation Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan.

By: Mary L. Rose, Dir., Exec. Comp. Prog. For: Jan Nicholson

06/16/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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