FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BALL CORP [BLL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
HOOVER R DAVID (Last) (First) (Middle)				X	Director	10% Owner		
		(Middle)		X	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
BALL CORPORATION 10 LONGS PEAK DR.		(made)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/14/2004		CHAIRMAN, PRESIDEN	NT & CEO		
(Street) BROOMFIELD	СО	80021-2510	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2004	6. Indivi	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Chec Form filed by One Reporting I Form filed by More than One	Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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)	3. Transac Code (II 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
				v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/14/2004		F		4,511	D	\$65.36	169,516	D	
Common Stock	05/14/2004		F		5,306	D	\$65.36	164,210	D	
Common Stock	05/14/2004		М		19,817	A	\$17.5	184,027	D	
Common Stock	05/14/2004		G ⁽¹⁾		10,000	D	\$65.36	174,027	D	
Common Stock	05/14/2004		A		10,000	A	\$65.36	160,154	I	by trust ⁽¹⁾

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		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (li 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$17.5	05/14/2004		М			19,817	(2)	09/23/2008	Common Stock	19,817	\$65.36	124,683	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Correcting May 14, 2004 Form 4 to reflect gift of 10,000 shares to Trust ownership (Suzanne Hoover Trust). Recording person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- 2. Shares exercisable beginning one year after grant in 25% increments.

Remarks:

Footnote no. 1 to May 14, 2004 Form 4 filing inadvertently appeared. It did not have anything to do with that filing.

By: Charles E. Baker, GenCounsel&AsstCorpSec For: R. 05/20/2004 David Hoover

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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