FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* SISSEL GEORGE A		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BALL CORP [BLL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
			X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last) (First) BALL CORPORATION 10 LONGS PEAK DR.	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2004		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
(Street) BROOMFIELD CO (City) (State)	80021-2510 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	Form filed by One Rep	g (Check Applicable Line) porting Person un One 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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Ad Disposed Of (D			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	06/30/2004		M		10,000	A	\$17.5	96,052	D	
Common Stock	06/30/2004		S		10,000	D	\$71.978	86,052	D	
Common Stock								40,835	I	by GRAT
Common Stock								19,600	I	by Spouse ⁽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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (li 8)		Dispos	tive ties ed (A) or sed of str. 3, 4	Expiration D	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Amount Securities Underlyin Derivative Security (3 and 4)		erlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Ownership	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	06/30/2004		М			10,000	(2)	09/23/2008	Common Stock	10,000	\$71.978	90,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The reporting person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- 2. Shares exercisable beginning one year after grant in 25% increments.

By: Charles E. Baker,

GenCounsel&AsstCorpSec For: 07/01/2004

George A. Sissel

** 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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