FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BALL CORP [BLL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
<u>LEHMAN JOHN F</u>			[]	X	Director	10% Owner			
	Last) (First) (Middle) BALL CORPORATION 0 LONGS PEAK DR.		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/15/2004		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
(Street) BROOMFIELD (City)	CO (State)	80021-2510 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	idual or Joint/Group Filing ((Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than (ting 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/Ye		3. Transac Code (Ir 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(msu. 4)
Common Stock	07/15/2004		A ⁽¹⁾		2,000	A	\$73.35	41,595	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	or Exercise Price of Derivative	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expiration Date		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	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
										Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Explanation of Responses:

 $1.\ Resticted\ Stock\ Award\ granted\ under\ the\ Directors\ Deposit\ Share\ Program$

By: Charles E. Baker,

GenCoun&AsstCorpSec For: John 07/16/2004

F. Lehman

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

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^{**} Signature of Reporting Person Date

 $^{^{\}star}$ If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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