FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] LEWIS DONALD CLYDE			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BALL CORP [BLL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
LEWIS DO	NALD CLYDE	<u>.</u>		Director 10% Owner					
(cot)	(First)	(Middle)	-	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
(Last) BALL CORPO	(First) DRATION	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/27/2004	VP, ASST CORP SECY					
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(Street) BROOMFIEL	D CO	80021-2510	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 12/28/2004	6. Individual 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)							

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 Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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 (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150. 4)
Common Stock	12/27/2004(1)		G		375	D	\$44.24 ⁽¹⁾	113,935	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	se (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	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. 12/27/04 gift transaction is amended to reflect 12/28/04 as the actual date of the transaction thus resulting in a change in the value of the stock for the transaction from \$44.01 to \$44.24. Gift of 375 shares to Ayco Charitable Foundation remains the same.

> By: Charles E. Baker, GenCounsel&AsstCorpSec For: 12/30/2004 Donald C. Lewis

** 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).

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