### FORM 5

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

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Form 3 Holdings Reported. Form 4 Transactions Reported.

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HOOVER R DAVID			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BALL CORP [ BLL ]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
				X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		X	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
BALL CORPORATION 10 LONGS PEAK DR.		(madic)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004		CHAIRMAN, PRES	IDENT & CEO			
(Street) BROOMFIELD	СО	80021-2510	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 02/07/2005	6. Indivi	idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repo	rting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Tom med by More than	one reporting relation			

### 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.	4. Securities Acquir (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ed (A) or D	isposed Of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
			8)	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)		Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/31/2004		W	3,200	A	(1)	381,393	I	by trust
Common Stock	12/31/2004		G	3,200	D	(2)	378,193	I	by trust <sup>(3)</sup>

## 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		e s I (A) or d of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Amou Securities Under! Derivative Securit 3 and 4)		lying Derivative		Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership Form:	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	et al	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)			

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Ball common shares in Mr. Hoover's mother's estate were willed to a family trust (of which Mr. Hoover's spouse is trustee), two beneficiaries of which are Mr. Hoover's grown non-dependent children. Transfers to the trust occurred on 5/6/04. The trust subsequently transferred the shares to each child, 1,600 shares to one child on 9/1/04 and 800 shares on 8/16/04 and again 800 shares on 9/3/04 to the other child. Mr. Hoover disclaims beneficial ownership of any of the shares referred to in this footnote.
- 2. Amending Form 5 to show shares being willed from Mr. Hoover's mother's estate into the trust so that they can be gifted out to Mr. Hoover's grown non-dependent children.
- $3. \ The \ reporting \ person \ expressly \ disclaims \ beneficial \ ownership \ of \ these \ securities.$

By: Charles E. Baker,

GenCounsel&AsstCorpSec For: R. 02/09/2005

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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