FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Ferson		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					
(Loot) (First)	/M:ddla)		_	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)					
(Last) (First)	(Middle)	Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		below)	below)					
BALL CORPORATION		03/15/2005								
10 LONGS PEAK DR.										
(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	idual or Joint/Group Filing	(Check Applicable Line)					
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(City) (State)	(Zip)									
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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 (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)		(mati. 4)
Common Stock	03/15/2005		J ⁽¹⁾		3	A	\$45.1	83,928	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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Ir 8)			6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\)	ate	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)	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. Dividend reinvestment in Ball Corporation Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan.

By: Charles E. Baker,

GenCounsel&AsstCorpSec For: 03/16/2005

John F. Lehman

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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