FORM 4

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* STIRITZ WILLIAM P			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					
STIRITE WILLIAMIT					Director	1	10% Owner		
(Last) BALL CORPORA 10 LONGS PEAK		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/15/2005		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 F Form filed by One Form filed by More	Reporting Pe	erson		

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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Ac Disposed Of (D			Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	09/15/2005		J ⁽¹⁾		177	A	\$37	881,708	D	
Common Stock								200,000	I	by Spouse ⁽²⁾

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)		5. Num Derivat Securit Acquire or Disp (D) (Ins and 5)	ive ies ed (A) osed of	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\)	ate	7. Title and Al Securities Un Derivative Se 3 and 4)	derlying	Derivative	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Company match in Ball Corporation Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan
- 2. The reporting person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of the spouse's securities.

By: Charles E.

Baker, VPGenCoun&AsstCorpSec 09/16/2005

For: William P. Stiritz

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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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