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 HOOVER R D	1 0		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BALL CORP BLL	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
<u> HOUVER K D</u>	AVID		i ,	X	Director	10% Owner		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
BALL CORPORA	BALL CORPORATION 0 LONGS PEAK DR.		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/25/2006		CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT & CEO			
(Street) BROOMFIELD	СО	80021-2510	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi X	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Che Form filed by One Reporting Form filed by More than One	g 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) (A) (A) (A) (A) (A) (A) (A) (A) (A) (A)		Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	 Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/25/2006		G ⁽¹⁾		30,000	D	\$40.4	481,527	D	
Common Stock	09/25/2006		G		30,000	A	\$40.4	280,225	Ι	by trust
Common Stock								2,836	Ι	401(k) plan

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	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Securities Underlying		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares received from September 22, 2006, stock option exercise were gifted to the Suzanne A. Hoover Trust rather than held in reporting person's direct ownership.

Remarks:

Total number of Common Shares directly owned includes shares acquired through participation in the Ball Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Total number of 401(k) Plan shares includes shares acquired through periodic dividend reinvestment and employee matching contributions.

By: Charles E. Baker,	
VP,GenCoun&AsstCorpSec For:	09/28/2006
R. 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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