

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HOOVER R DAVID</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>BALL CORPORATION</u> <u>10 LONGS PEAK DR.</u> (Street) <u>BROOMFIELD CO 80021-2510</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>BALL CORP [BLL]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT & CEO</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>10/13/2006</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			

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)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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 Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	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
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	10/13/2006		A		30,000		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	30,000	\$0	30,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Restricted Stock Units awarded under the Deposit Share Program under the 2005 Stock and Cash Incentive Plan. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Ball Corporation Common Stock.
- The restricted stock units will cliff lapse after four years from the restricted stock unit grant date. The lapsing restrictions may be accelerated by meeting the reporting person's stock ownership guidelines. If the stock ownership guidelines are met, then 30% of the restriction will lapse in the second year, 30% in the third year and 40% in the fourth year on either March 31, June 30, September 30 or December 31, the quarter immediately following the anniversary of the restricted stock unit grant date. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person in accordance with the aforementioned terms, or, if the shares are deferred, in accordance with the reporting person's deferral elections or the terms of the Plan.

By: Charles E. Baker
VP, Gen Coun & Asst Corp Sec For 10/17/2006
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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