

**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>SMART GEORGE M</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  Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/17/2007</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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			
Common Stock	12/17/2007		J <sup>(1)</sup>		392 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	(1)	13,525	D	
Common Stock								4,000	I	by Spouse

**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
Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan	(1)	12/17/2007		J <sup>(1)</sup>		392 <sup>(1)</sup>		(1)	(1)	Stock Units	392	(1)	1,059	D	
Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan	(2)	12/17/2007		J <sup>(2)</sup>		2		(2)	(2)	Stock Units	2	\$45.16	1,061	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Reclassification of stock units deferred into the 2005 Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan (the "Plan") previously reported in Table I to Table II as a result of the change in the Plan that permits participants to settle their stock units in either cash or common stock.
- Dividend reinvestment in Ball Corporation 2005 Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan.

**Remarks:**

The reporting person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of the spouse's securities.

By: Charles E. Baker  
VP, GenCoun&AsstCorpSec For: 12/18/2007  
George M. Smart

\*\* 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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