

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(D) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

May 24, 2011
(Date of earliest event reported)

BALL CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Indiana</u>	<u>001-07349</u>	<u>35-0160610</u>
(State of Incorporation)	(Commission File No.)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

10 Longs Peak Drive, P.O. Box 5000, Broomfield, CO 80021-2510
(Address of principal executive offices, including ZIP Code)

(303) 469-3131
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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 - ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) Departure of Officer.

On May 24, 2011, the Company announced that David A. Westerlund, executive vice president, administration, and corporate secretary, will retire later this year.

The Company's press release announcing Mr. Westerlund's retirement is included with this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following is furnished as an exhibit to this report:

Exhibit 99.1	Ball Corporation Press Release dated May 24, 2011.
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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BALL CORPORATION
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Scott C. Morrison
Name: Scott C. Morrison
Title: Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 24, 2011

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Description	Exhibit
Ball Corporation Press Release dated May 24, 2011	99.1



News Release
For Immediate Release
<http://www.ball.com>

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Ball Announces Retirement of David A. Westerlund

BROOMFIELD, Colo., May 24, 2011—Ball Corporation [NYSE:BLL] announced today that David A. Westerlund, executive vice president, administration, and corporate secretary, will retire later this year. Westerlund, 60, will conclude a 36-year career with Ball.

“David has been a key driver of our human resources, compliance and administration activities, and throughout his career has played an important role in maintaining our culture and in our overall corporate success,” said John A. Hayes, Ball’s president and chief executive officer. “He has also served in volunteer leadership positions with the United Way and other community organizations, representing Ball proudly in our local communities, both here in Colorado and in Indiana.”

Lisa A. Pauley, vice president, administration and compliance, will assume responsibility for the company’s human resources, administration and compliance functions. Pauley joined Ball in 1981 in the company’s aerospace systems division. She was named Ball Corporation’s senior director, administration and compliance, in 2004 and has been vice president, administration and compliance, since 2007.

Ball Corporation is a supplier of high quality packaging for beverage, food and household products customers, and of aerospace and other technologies and services, primarily for the U.S. government. Ball Corporation and its subsidiaries employ more than 14,500 people worldwide and reported 2010 sales of more than \$7.6 billion. For the latest Ball news and for other company information, please visit <http://www.ball.com>.

Forward-Looking Statements

This release contains “forward-looking” statements concerning future events and financial performance. Words such as “expects,” “anticipates,” “estimates” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Such statements are subject to risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied. The company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Key risks and uncertainties are summarized in filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including Exhibit 99.2 in our Form 10-K, which are available on our website and at www.sec.gov. Factors that might affect our packaging segments include fluctuation in product demand and preferences; availability and cost of raw materials; competitive packaging availability, pricing and substitution; changes in climate and weather; crop yields; competitive activity; failure to achieve anticipated productivity improvements or production cost reductions; mandatory deposit or other restrictive packaging laws; changes in major customer or supplier contracts or loss of a major customer or supplier; political instability and sanctions; and changes in foreign exchange rates or tax rates. Factors that might affect our aerospace segment include: funding, authorization, availability and returns of government and

commercial contracts; and delays, extensions and technical uncertainties affecting segment contracts. Factors that might affect the company as a whole include those listed plus: accounting changes; changes in senior management; the recent global recession and its effects on liquidity, credit risk, asset values and the economy; successful or unsuccessful acquisitions; regulatory action or laws including tax, environmental, health and workplace safety, including U.S. FDA and other actions affecting products filled in our containers, or chemicals or substances used in raw materials or in the manufacturing process; governmental investigations; technological developments and innovations; goodwill impairment; antitrust, patent and other litigation; strikes; labor cost changes; rates of return projected and earned on assets of the company's defined benefit retirement plans; pension changes; reduced cash flow; interest rates affecting our debt; and changes to unaudited results due to statutory audits or other effects.

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