FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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*		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BALL CORP [ BLL ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
NELSON GEORGIA R		[ Sas ]	X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last) (First) BALL CORPORATION 10 LONGS PEAK DR.	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/26/2008		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
(Street) BROOMFIELD CO (City) (State)	80021-2510 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	idual or Joint/Group Filing ( Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More than	ting Person			

#### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transac Code (Ir 8)		Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Securities Beneficially Owned	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	3 and 4)		(111301. 4)

# 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)		Derivative		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		derlying Derivative		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		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan	(1)	12/26/2008		J <sup>(2)</sup>		493.4455 <sup>(3)</sup>		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	493.4455 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$40.43	4,810.2509 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each unit may be settled for a single share of stock or the equivalent amount of cash pursuant to the Ball Corporation Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan.
- 2. Contribution of quarterly directors' fees and company match in Ball Corporation Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan.
- 3. Due to a migration to a new SEC filing platform, after September 15, 2008, the Form 4 filings made by Ball Corporation's reporting persons will show up to four decimal places with respect to the acquisition and ownership of securities by the reporting person.
- 4. Stock units in Ball Corporation's Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan are distributed upon the separation of service in accordance with the Plan.

/s/ Charles E. Baker, attorney-infact for Ms. Nelson

12/29/2008

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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