

**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 &amp; C.E.O. BALL CORP.</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/22/2010</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			
Common Stock	03/22/2010		M <sup>(1)</sup>		10,000	A	\$10.6125	244,821.6228	D	
Common Stock	03/22/2010		S <sup>(2)</sup>		10,000	D	\$53.8155	234,821.6228	D	
Common Stock								3,600.012	I	401(k) Plan <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock								146,246	I	By Trust <sup>(4)</sup>

**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						Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$10.6125	03/22/2010		M <sup>(1)</sup>			10,000	(5)	03/06/2011	Common Stock	10,000	\$0	290,000	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Exercise of Stock Options in accordance with reporting person's pre-arranged 10b5-1 plan adopted by the reporting person on February 25, 2010.
- Sale of stock in accordance with reporting person's pre-arranged 10b5-1 plan adopted by the reporting person on February 25, 2010.
- Total number of 401(k) Plan shares includes shares acquired through periodic dividend reinvestment, participant's contributions and employer matching contributions.
- The reporting person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities in the Suzanne A. Hoover Trust.
- Shares exercisable beginning one year after grant in 25% increments and thereafter annually upon the anniversary of the date of the grant of the stock option.

/s/ Charles E. Baker, attorney-in-fact for Mr. Hoover 03/22/2010

\*\* 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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