
UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 10-Q

☒ **QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the Quarterly Period Ended June 30, 2025
or

☐ **TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Commission file number 001-07349

BALL CORPORATION

State of Indiana
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or
organization)

35-0160610
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

9200 West 108th Circle
Westminster, CO
(Address of registrant's principal executive office)

80021
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **303/469-3131**

Securities registered pursuant to section 12(b) of the Act:

Class	Trading Symbol	Name of Exchange	Outstanding at August 1, 2025
Common Stock, without par value	BALL	NYSE	272,148,895 shares

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer ☒
Non-accelerated filer ☐

Accelerated filer ☐
Smaller reporting company ☐
Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes ☐ No ☒

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For the period ended June 30, 2025
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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION
Item 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
BALL CORPORATION
UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS

(\$ in millions, except per share amounts)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Net sales	\$ 3,338	\$ 2,959	\$ 6,435	\$ 5,833
Cost of sales (excluding depreciation and amortization)	(2,690)	(2,357)	(5,183)	(4,640)
Depreciation and amortization	(155)	(152)	(305)	(310)
Selling, general and administrative	(137)	(139)	(286)	(376)
Business consolidation and other activities	(12)	(60)	(25)	(86)
Interest income	5	18	12	44
Interest expense	(81)	(68)	(151)	(161)
Debt refinancing and other costs	—	(1)	—	(3)
Earnings before taxes	268	200	497	301
Tax (provision) benefit	(61)	(49)	(114)	(76)
Equity in results of affiliates, net of tax	8	8	13	13
Earnings from continuing operations	215	159	396	238
Discontinued operations, net of tax	—	—	(2)	3,607
Net earnings	215	159	394	3,845
Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests	3	1	3	2
Net earnings attributable to Ball Corporation	\$ 212	\$ 158	\$ 391	\$ 3,843
Earnings per share:				
Basic - continuing operations	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.51	\$ 1.41	\$ 0.76
Basic - discontinued operations	—	—	(0.01)	11.55
Total basic earnings per share	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.51	\$ 1.40	\$ 12.31
Diluted - continuing operations	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.51	\$ 1.40	\$ 0.75
Diluted - discontinued operations	—	—	(0.01)	11.46
Total diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.51	\$ 1.39	\$ 12.21
Weighted average shares outstanding: (000s)				
Basic	276,102	309,269	279,677	312,109
Diluted	277,771	311,964	281,405	314,690

See accompanying notes to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

BALL CORPORATION
UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE EARNINGS (LOSS)

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Net earnings	\$ 215	\$ 159	\$ 394	\$ 3,845
Other comprehensive earnings (loss):				
Currency translation adjustment	43	(52)	117	(139)
Pension and other postretirement benefits	(38)	7	(53)	148
Derivatives designated as hedges	(36)	25	(38)	33
Total other comprehensive earnings (loss)	(31)	(20)	26	42
Tax (provision) benefit	18	(8)	22	(47)
Total other comprehensive earnings (loss), net of tax	(13)	(28)	48	(5)
Total comprehensive earnings	202	131	442	3,840
Comprehensive earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests	3	1	3	2
Comprehensive earnings attributable to Ball Corporation	\$ 199	\$ 130	\$ 439	\$ 3,838

See accompanying notes to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

BALL CORPORATION
UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(\$ in millions)	June 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 296	\$ 885
Receivables, net	2,897	2,166
Inventories, net	1,732	1,477
Other current assets	216	169
Current assets held for sale	111	144
Total current assets	5,252	4,841
Noncurrent assets		
Property, plant and equipment, net	6,555	6,173
Goodwill	4,381	4,172
Intangible assets, net	1,056	1,080
Other assets	1,364	1,362
Total assets	\$ 18,608	\$ 17,628
Liabilities and Equity		
Current liabilities		
Short-term debt and current portion of long-term debt	\$ 548	\$ 361
Accounts payable	3,523	3,418
Accrued employee costs	247	303
Other current liabilities	916	725
Current liabilities held for sale	25	40
Total current liabilities	5,259	4,847
Noncurrent liabilities		
Long-term debt	6,479	5,312
Employee benefit obligations	557	577
Deferred taxes	560	594
Other liabilities	476	368
Total liabilities	13,331	11,698
Equity		
Common stock (684,848,026 shares issued - 2025; 684,168,252 shares issued - 2024)	1,414	1,395
Retained earnings	11,806	11,527
Accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss)	(955)	(1,003)
Treasury stock, at cost (412,800,323 shares - 2025; 394,790,362 shares - 2024)	(7,059)	(6,057)
Total Ball Corporation shareholders' equity	5,206	5,862
Noncontrolling interests	71	68
Total equity	5,277	5,930
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 18,608	\$ 17,628

See accompanying notes to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

BALL CORPORATION
UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(\$ in millions)	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Net earnings	\$ 394	\$ 3,845
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	305	319
Business consolidation and other activities	25	86
Deferred tax provision (benefit)	(43)	185
Gain on Aerospace disposal	3	(4,695)
Pension contributions	(15)	(15)
Other, net	(164)	23
Changes in working capital components, net of acquisitions and dispositions	(838)	(743)
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(333)	(995)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Capital expenditures	(177)	(260)
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(158)	—
Business dispositions, net of cash sold	4	5,422
Other, net	(60)	42
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(391)	5,204
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Long-term borrowings	2,930	450
Repayments of long-term borrowings	(1,624)	(3,278)
Net change in short-term borrowings	(76)	99
Acquisitions of treasury stock	(1,022)	(665)
Common stock dividends	(112)	(125)
Other, net	(8)	23
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	88	(3,496)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	23	(75)
Change in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(613)	638
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash - beginning of period (a)	931	710
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash - end of period (a)	\$ 318	\$ 1,348

(a) Includes \$9 million and \$32 million of cash presented in current assets held for sale on the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets as of June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, respectively.

See accompanying notes to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

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Notes to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements (consolidated financial statements) include the accounts of Ball Corporation and its controlled affiliates, including its consolidated variable interest entities (collectively Ball, the company, we or our), and have been prepared by the company. Certain information and footnote disclosures, including critical and significant accounting policies normally included in consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, have been condensed or omitted for this quarterly presentation.

Results of operations for the periods shown are not necessarily indicative of results for the year, particularly in view of the seasonality in the packaging segments. These consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in the company's 2024 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on February 20, 2025, pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024 (annual report).

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) requires Ball's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. These estimates are based on historical experience and various assumptions believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Ball's management evaluates these estimates on an ongoing basis and adjusts or revises the estimates as circumstances change. As future events and their impacts cannot be determined with precision, actual results may differ from these estimates. In the opinion of management, the consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments that are of a normal recurring nature and are necessary to fairly state the results of the periods presented.

On February 16, 2024, the company completed the divestiture of its aerospace business. The transaction represents a strategic shift; therefore, the company's consolidated financial statements reflect the aerospace business' financial results as discontinued operations for all periods presented. Unless otherwise specified, these notes to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements reflect continuing operations only.

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified in order to conform to the current year presentation.

Risks and Uncertainties

Global Economic Environment

Current and future inflationary effects may continue to be impacted by, among other things, supply chain disruptions, governmental stimulus or fiscal and monetary policies, changes in interest rates, tariffs, and changing demand for certain goods and services. There is currently significant uncertainty as to the extent and duration of tariffs and the associated impacts on inflation. Furthermore, we cannot predict with any certainty the impact that interest rates, a global or any regional recession, tariffs, or higher inflation may have on our customers or suppliers. Additionally, we are unable to predict the potential effects that any future pandemic, hyperinflation in Argentina and Egypt, or the continuation or escalation of global conflicts, including the conflict between Russia and Ukraine and the instability in the Middle East and Myanmar, and related sanctions or market disruptions, may have on our business. It remains uncertain how long any of these conditions may last or how severe any of them may become.

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Ball management has reviewed the estimates used in preparing the company's consolidated financial statements and the following have a reasonably possible likelihood of being affected, to a material extent, by the direct and indirect impacts of the current global economic environment in the near-term.

- Estimates regarding the future financial performance of the business used in the impairment tests for goodwill, long-lived assets, equity method investments, recoverability of deferred tax assets and estimates regarding cash needs and associated indefinite reinvestment assertions;
- Estimates of recoverability for customer receivables;
- Estimates of net realizable value for inventory; and
- Estimates regarding the likelihood of forecasted transactions associated with hedge accounting positions at June 30, 2025, which could impact the company's ability to satisfy hedge accounting requirements and result in the recognition of income and/or expenses.

In addition to the above potential impacts on the estimates used in preparing the consolidated financial statements, the current global economic environment has the potential to increase Ball's vulnerabilities to near-term severe impacts related to certain concentrations in its business. In line with other companies in the packaging industry, Ball makes the majority of its sales and significant purchases to or from a relatively small number of global, or large regional, customers and suppliers. Furthermore, Ball makes the majority of its sales from a small number of product lines. The potential of the current global economic environment to affect a significant customer or supplier, or to affect demand for certain products to a significant degree, heightens the vulnerability of Ball to these concentrations.

2. Accounting Pronouncements

New Accounting Guidance and Disclosure Requirements

Disaggregation of Income Statement Expenses

In 2024, new guidance was issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) with the goal of providing financial statement users with more expense information of certain categories of expenses that are included in line items on the face of the statements of earnings. The company is assessing the impact that the adoption of this new guidance will have on its consolidated financial statements and expects to meet the disclosure requirements on a prospective basis in its 2027 annual report and interim periods thereafter.

Income Tax Disclosures

In 2023, new guidance was issued by the FASB with the goal of providing financial statement users with more information in the income tax rate reconciliation table and regarding income taxes paid. The company is preparing for the adoption of this new guidance in its consolidated financial statements and expects to meet the disclosure requirements on a prospective basis in its 2025 annual report.

3. Business Segment Information

Ball's operations are organized and reviewed by management along its product lines and geographical areas and presented in the three reportable segments outlined below.

Beverage packaging, North and Central America: Consists of operations in the U.S., Canada and Mexico that manufacture and sell aluminum beverage containers throughout those countries.

Beverage packaging, EMEA: Consists of operations in numerous countries throughout Europe, as well as Egypt and Turkey, that manufacture and sell aluminum beverage containers throughout those countries.

Beverage packaging, South America: Consists of operations in Brazil, Argentina, Paraguay and Chile that manufacture and sell aluminum beverage containers throughout most of South America.

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As presented in the tables below, Other consists of a non-reportable operating segment (beverage packaging, other) that manufactures and sells aluminum beverage containers in India, Saudi Arabia and Myanmar; a non-reportable operating segment that manufactures and sells extruded aluminum aerosol containers and recloseable aluminum bottles across multiple consumer categories as well as aluminum slugs (personal & home care or PHC) throughout North America, South America, and Europe; a non-reportable operating segment that manufactured and sold aluminum cups (aluminum cups); undistributed corporate expenses; and intercompany eliminations and other business activities. As of June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, the assets and liabilities of the Saudi Arabian business were presented as current assets held for sale and current liabilities held for sale on the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets. On March 21, 2025, Ball closed on a transaction for its aluminum cups business, which resulted in Ball deconsolidating the business. The financial results of the aluminum cups business are presented in Other in the tables below through the date of the transaction and the assets and liabilities of the business were presented as current assets held for sale and current liabilities held for sale on the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2024. See [Note 4](#) for further details on the Saudi Arabia and aluminum cups businesses.

The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those used in the consolidated financial statements, as discussed in [Note 1](#). The company also has investments in operations in Guatemala, Panama, the U.S. and Vietnam that are accounted for under the equity method of accounting and, accordingly, those results are not included in segment sales or earnings.

Dan Fisher, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, is the company's chief operating decision maker (CODM). For each reportable segment, the CODM uses segment comparable operating earnings to analyze profitability compared to internal forecasts and comparative prior periods. These analyses allow the CODM to have constructive dialogue with other company leaders on how to improve company performance.

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Summary of Business by Segment

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Net sales				
Beverage packaging, North and Central America	\$ 1,613	\$ 1,469	\$ 3,076	\$ 2,872
Beverage packaging, EMEA	1,050	880	1,953	1,690
Beverage packaging, South America	477	422	1,021	904
Reportable segment sales	3,140	2,771	6,050	5,466
Other	198	188	385	367
Net sales	\$ 3,338	\$ 2,959	\$ 6,435	\$ 5,833
Comparable segment operating earnings (a)				
Beverage packaging, North and Central America	\$ 208	\$ 210	\$ 403	\$ 402
Beverage packaging, EMEA	129	113	225	198
Beverage packaging, South America	51	37	120	92
Reportable segment comparable operating earnings	388	360	748	692
Reconciling items				
Other (b)	8	2	(7)	(70)
Business consolidation and other activities	(12)	(60)	(25)	(86)
Amortization of acquired intangibles	(35)	(33)	(68)	(71)
Interest expense	(81)	(68)	(151)	(161)
Debt refinancing and other costs	—	(1)	—	(3)
Earnings before taxes	\$ 268	\$ 200	\$ 497	\$ 301

- (a) The difference between reportable segment net sales and comparable operating earnings is comprised of other segment items. Other segment items includes cost of sales, depreciation and amortization, selling, general and administrative and interest income amounts. The CODM does not receive or use these amounts at the reportable segment level. However, the CODM is provided these amounts at a consolidated level to manage operations.
- (b) Includes undistributed corporate expenses, net, of \$30 million and \$21 million for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$73 million and \$117 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. Undistributed corporate expenses, net, includes corporate interest income of \$12 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024, and \$1 million and \$29 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, undistributed corporate expenses, net, includes \$3 million and \$82 million of incremental compensation cost from the successful sale of the aerospace business, respectively.

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Depreciation and amortization				
Beverage packaging, North and Central America	\$ 56	\$ 53	\$ 112	\$ 107
Beverage packaging, EMEA	49	46	96	93
Beverage packaging, South America	36	38	72	79
Reportable segment depreciation and amortization	141	137	280	279
Other	14	15	25	31
Depreciation and amortization	\$ 155	\$ 152	\$ 305	\$ 310

The company does not disclose total assets by segment as it is not provided to the CODM.

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4. Acquisitions and Dispositions

Saudi Arabia

In November 2024, the company entered into an agreement to sell 41 percent of its 51 percent ownership interest in Ball United Arab Can Manufacturing Company, which is expected to close in the third quarter of 2025. As of June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, the assets and liabilities of the business were presented as current assets and current liabilities held for sale. As of June 30, 2025, the assets and liabilities were \$91 million and \$25 million, respectively, which are primarily related to working capital and property, plant and equipment. The entity also has a noncontrolling interest of \$64 million as of June 30, 2025, which will be derecognized upon sale. The transaction is expected to result in deconsolidation upon closing and Ball will retain a 10 percent ownership interest. A gain of approximately \$85 million is expected to be recognized upon sale and no impairment or loss resulted from meeting held for sale presentation.

Aluminum Cups

In the fourth quarter of 2024, Ball's Board of Directors provided approval for the company to form a strategic partnership for the aluminum cups business in early 2025. As a result, Ball recorded a noncash impairment charge of \$233 million in the fourth quarter of 2024 to adjust the carrying value of the disposal group of our aluminum cups business to its estimated fair value less cost to sell. This charge was included in business consolidation and other activities in the consolidated statement of earnings for the year ended December 31, 2024. The remaining assets and liabilities were presented as current assets held for sale and current liabilities held for sale on the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2024.

On March 21, 2025, Ball and Ayna.AI LLC (Ayna) executed a Unit Purchase Agreement to form a strategic partnership in which Ball owns a 49 percent interest. Ball's interest in the entity, Oasis Venture Holdings LLC ("Oasis"), is accounted for under the equity method of accounting. Ball recorded an additional loss of \$7 million related to the transaction in business consolidation and other activities in the unaudited condensed consolidated statement of earnings for the six months ended June 30, 2025.

Acquisition of Florida Can Manufacturing

In February 2025, the company closed on the acquisition of Florida Can Manufacturing for cash consideration of \$160 million. The business is comprised of an aluminum beverage can manufacturing facility located in Winter Haven, Florida and is included in Ball's beverage packaging, North and Central America, segment. The transaction strengthens the segment's supply network and enhances its ability to meet growing customer demand for sustainable beverage packaging solutions in the region.

Personal & Home Care Acquisition of Alucan Entec

In October 2024, the company acquired the entire share capital of Alucan Entec, S.A, an impact extruded aluminum packaging business with a manufacturing facility in Lummen, Belgium and Llinars del Vallès, Spain, for the purchase price of €82 million, subject to customary closing adjustments. Using the exchange rate on the date of close, the initial cash consideration of \$80 million (or €75 million) was paid at close, with an additional holdback of \$8 million (or €7 million) to be paid over the next three years, less any potential obligations covered by the holdback arrangement. The business is part of Ball's PHC segment. The transaction broadens the geographic reach and expands the product portfolio of Ball's PHC business, serving the growing personal, home care and beverage bottle markets.

Aerospace

In the third quarter of 2023, Ball entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement with BAE Systems, Inc. (BAE) and, for the limited purposes set forth therein, BAE Systems plc, to sell all outstanding equity interests in Ball's aerospace business. On February 16, 2024, the company completed the divestiture of the aerospace business for a purchase price of \$5.6 billion, subject to working capital adjustments and other customary closing adjustments under the terms of the Agreement. The company is in the process of finalizing the working capital adjustments and other customary closing adjustments with BAE, which may adjust the final cash proceeds and gain on sale amounts. As such, during the fourth quarter of 2024, Ball reduced the gain by \$60 million based on preliminary concessions related to the purchase price. After this adjustment and the \$3 million loss recorded in the unaudited condensed consolidated statement of earnings for

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the six months ended June 30, 2025, the divestiture resulted in a pre-tax gain of \$4.61 billion. Cash proceeds received at close from the sale of \$5.42 billion, net of the cash disposed, are presented in business dispositions, net of cash sold, in the 2024 consolidated statement of cash flows. Income taxes related to the transaction that have not yet been paid are recorded in other current liabilities on the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheet. Additionally, the completion of the divestiture resulted in the removal of the aerospace business from the company's obligor group, as the business no longer guarantees the company's senior notes and senior credit facilities.

The sale of the aerospace business represents a strategic shift that will have a major effect on Ball's operations and financial results, including the removal of the aerospace reportable segment. Due to this shift, the aerospace business' financial results are reported as discontinued operations in the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of earnings. See [Note 1](#) for further information on the basis of presentation.

The following table presents components of discontinued operations, net of tax for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024:

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Net sales	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 261
Cost of sales (excluding depreciation and amortization)	—	—	—	(214)
Depreciation and amortization	—	—	—	(9)
Selling, general and administrative	—	—	—	(11)
Gain (loss) on disposition	(1)	—	(3)	4,695
Tax (provision) benefit	1	—	1	(1,115)
Discontinued operations, net of tax	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (2)</u>	<u>\$ 3,607</u>

The following table presents depreciation and amortization, capital expenditures and significant operating and investing noncash items from discontinued operations for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, included within the consolidated statements of cash flows. Amounts include adjustments to reconcile net earnings to cash provided by (used in) operating activities:

(\$ in millions)	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024
Provided by (used in)		
Depreciation and amortization	\$ —	\$ 9
Gain on Aerospace disposal	3	(4,695)
Capital expenditures	—	(13)

For the six months ended June 30, 2024, noncash investing activities included \$17 million for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment (PP&E) for which payment had not been made for the aerospace business. These noncash capital expenditures were excluded from the consolidated statement of cash flows.

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5. Revenue from Contracts with Customers

The following table disaggregates the company's net sales based on the timing of transfer of control:

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months Ended June 30,		
	Point in Time	Over Time	Total	Point in Time	Over Time	Total
2025	\$ 568	\$ 2,770	\$ 3,338	\$ 1,112	\$ 5,323	\$ 6,435
2024	627	2,332	2,959	1,183	4,650	5,833

The company did not have any contract assets at either June 30, 2025, or December 31, 2024. The opening and closing balances of the company's current and noncurrent contract liabilities are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Contract Liabilities (Current)	Contract Liabilities (Noncurrent)
Balance at December 31, 2024	\$ 50	\$ 2
Increase (decrease)	9	—
Balance at June 30, 2025	\$ 59	\$ 2

During the six months ended June 30, 2025, contract liabilities increased by \$9 million, which is net of cash received of \$39 million and amounts recognized as sales of \$30 million, the majority of which related to current contract liabilities. The amount of sales recognized in the six months ended June 30, 2025, that was included in the opening contract liabilities balance, was \$30 million, all of which related to current contract liabilities. The difference between the opening and closing balances of the company's contract liabilities primarily results from timing differences between the company's performance and the customer's payments. Current contract liabilities are classified within other current liabilities on the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets and noncurrent contract liabilities are classified within other liabilities.

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6. Business Consolidation and Other Activities
2025

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, the company recorded net charges of \$12 million and \$25 million, respectively. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, the net charges were primarily composed of costs for previously announced facility closures and the loss related to the aluminum cups business transaction. The charges for the six months ended June 30, 2025, were partially offset by income from the receipt of insurance proceeds for replacement costs related to the 2023 fire at the company's Verona, Virginia extruded aluminum slug manufacturing facility. See [Note 4](#) for further details on the aluminum cups transaction.

2024

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, the company recorded net charges of \$60 million and \$86 million, respectively, which were primarily related to facility closure costs of \$39 million and \$64 million, respectively, and costs for employee severance, employee benefits and other related items resulting from the company restructuring its operating model. The charges for the six months ended June 30, 2024, were partially offset by income from the receipt of insurance proceeds for replacement costs related to the 2023 fire at the company's Verona, Virginia extruded aluminum slug manufacturing facility.

7. Supplemental Cash Flow Statement and Other Disclosures

(\$ in millions)	June 30,	
	2025	2024
Beginning of period:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 885	\$ 695
Current restricted cash (included in other current assets)	8	15
Noncurrent restricted cash (included in other assets)	6	—
Cash reported in current assets held for sale	32	—
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	<u>\$ 931</u>	<u>\$ 710</u>
End of period:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 296	\$ 1,346
Current restricted cash (included in other current assets)	6	2
Noncurrent restricted cash (included in other assets)	7	—
Cash reported in current assets held for sale	9	—
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	<u>\$ 318</u>	<u>\$ 1,348</u>

The company's current restricted cash is primarily related to receivables factoring programs and represents amounts collected from customers that have not yet been remitted to the banks as of the end of the reporting period. Noncurrent restricted cash is comprised of additional cash consideration to be paid for the acquisition of Alucan Entec, S.A, less any potential obligations covered by the holdback arrangement. See [Note 4](#) for further details.

Noncash investing activities include the acquisition of property, plant and equipment (PP&E) for which payment has not been made. These noncash capital expenditures are excluded from the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of cash flows. A summary of the PP&E acquired but not yet paid, inclusive of amounts related to the historical aerospace business, is as follows:

(\$ in millions)	June 30,	
	2025	2024
Beginning of period:		
PP&E acquired but not yet paid	\$ 96	\$ 204
End of period:		
PP&E acquired but not yet paid	\$ 104	\$ 139

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Supplier Finance Programs

The amount of obligations outstanding that the company confirmed as valid to the financial institutions under the company's regional supplier finance programs was \$365 million and \$423 million at June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, respectively. These amounts are classified within accounts payable on the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets, and the associated payments are reflected in the cash flows from operating activities section of the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of cash flows.

8. Receivables, Net

(\$ in millions)	June 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Trade accounts receivable	\$ 1,775	\$ 1,258
Unbilled receivables	589	490
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts	(14)	(12)
Net trade accounts receivable	2,350	1,736
Other receivables	547	430
	<u>\$ 2,897</u>	<u>\$ 2,166</u>

The company has entered into several regional accounts receivable factoring programs with various financial institutions for certain receivables of the company. The programs are accounted for as true sales of the receivables, with limited recourse to Ball, and had combined limits of approximately \$1.78 billion and \$1.60 billion at June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, respectively. A total of \$602 million and \$428 million were available for sale under these programs as of June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, respectively. The company has recorded expense related to its factoring programs of \$9 million and \$10 million for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$19 million and \$23 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and has presented these amounts in selling, general and administrative in its unaudited condensed consolidated statements of earnings.

Other receivables include income and indirect tax receivables, aluminum scrap sale receivables and other miscellaneous receivables.

9. Inventories, Net

(\$ in millions)	June 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Raw materials and supplies	\$ 1,281	\$ 1,089
Finished goods	538	470
Less: Inventory reserves	(87)	(82)
	<u>\$ 1,732</u>	<u>\$ 1,477</u>

10. Property, Plant and Equipment, Net

(\$ in millions)	June 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Land	\$ 212	\$ 198
Buildings	1,925	1,794
Machinery and equipment	8,015	7,450
Construction-in-progress	872	836
	<u>11,024</u>	<u>10,278</u>
Accumulated depreciation	(4,469)	(4,105)
	<u>\$ 6,555</u>	<u>\$ 6,173</u>

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Depreciation expense was \$117 million and \$116 million for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$231 million and \$232 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively.

11. Goodwill

(\$ in millions)	Beverage Packaging, North & Central America	Beverage Packaging, EMEA	Beverage Packaging, South America	Other	Total
Balance at December 31, 2024	\$ 1,277	\$ 1,289	\$ 1,300	\$ 306	\$ 4,172
Effects of currency exchange	—	172	—	43	215
Business dispositions	—	—	—	(6)	(6)
Balance at June 30, 2025	<u>\$ 1,277</u>	<u>\$ 1,461</u>	<u>\$ 1,300</u>	<u>\$ 343</u>	<u>\$ 4,381</u>

12. Intangible Assets, Net

(\$ in millions)	June 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Acquired customer relationships and other intangibles (net of accumulated amortization and impairment losses of \$1.23 billion at June 30, 2025, and \$1.11 billion at December 31, 2024)	\$ 1,008	\$ 1,031
Capitalized software (net of accumulated amortization of \$176 million at June 30, 2025, and \$168 million at December 31, 2024)	26	28
Other intangibles (net of accumulated amortization of \$14 million at June 30, 2025, and \$12 million at December 31, 2024)	22	21
	<u>\$ 1,056</u>	<u>\$ 1,080</u>

Total amortization expense of intangible assets was \$38 million and \$36 million for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$74 million and \$78 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively.

13. Other Assets

(\$ in millions)	June 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Long-term pension assets	\$ 40	\$ 36
Right-of-use operating lease assets	336	334
Investments in affiliates	238	233
Long-term deferred tax assets	69	63
Other	681	696
	<u>\$ 1,364</u>	<u>\$ 1,362</u>

Investments in affiliates primarily includes the company's 50 percent ownership interest in an entity in Guatemala, a 50 percent ownership interest in an entity in Panama, a 50 percent ownership interest in an entity in Vietnam, a 50 percent ownership interest in an entity in the U.S. and a 33 percent ownership interest in an entity in the U.S.

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14. Leases

The company enters into operating leases for buildings, warehouses, office equipment, production equipment, aircraft, land and other types of equipment. The company also enters into finance leases for certain plant equipment and an aircraft. Supplemental balance sheet information related to the company's leases follows:

(\$ in millions)	Balance Sheet Location	June 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Operating leases:			
Operating lease ROU asset	Other assets	\$ 336	\$ 334
Current operating lease liabilities	Other current liabilities	78	79
Noncurrent operating lease liabilities	Other liabilities	268	265
Finance leases:			
Finance lease ROU assets, net	Property, plant and equipment, net	8	31
	Short-term debt and current portion of long-term		
Current finance lease liabilities	debt	2	26
Noncurrent finance lease liabilities	Long-term debt	6	5

15. Debt

Long-term debt outstanding and interest rates in effect, along with short-term debt outstanding, consisted of the following:

(\$ in millions)	June 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Senior Notes		
5.25% due July 2025 (a)	\$ 189	\$ 189
4.875% due March 2026	256	256
1.50%, euro denominated, due March 2027	648	569
6.875% due March 2028	750	750
6.00% due June 2029	1,000	1,000
2.875% due August 2030	1,300	1,300
3.125% due September 2031	850	850
4.25% euro denominated, due July 2032	1,002	—
Senior Credit Facility (at variable rates)		
U.S. dollar revolver due June 2027 (5.66% - 2025)	250	—
Multi-currency revolver due June 2027 (5.68% - 2025)	100	—
Term A loan due June 2027 (5.68% - 2025)	625	625
Finance lease obligations	8	7
Other (including debt issuance costs)	(52)	(43)
	6,926	5,503
Less: Current portion of long-term debt	(447)	(191)
Long-term debt	<u>\$ 6,479</u>	<u>\$ 5,312</u>
Short-term debt		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 447	\$ 191
Short-term finance leases	—	24
Short-term committed loans	—	109
Short-term uncommitted credit facilities	101	37
Short-term debt and current portion of long-term debt	<u>\$ 548</u>	<u>\$ 361</u>

(a) In July 2025, Ball redeemed the outstanding 5.25% senior notes due in the amount of \$189 million.

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The company's senior credit facilities include long-term multi-currency revolving facilities that mature in June 2027, which provide the company with up to the U.S. dollar equivalent of \$1.75 billion. At June 30, 2025, \$1.36 billion was available under these revolving credit facilities. Additionally, at June 30, 2025, the company's short-term uncommitted credit facilities provided the company with up to \$1.03 billion.

In May 2025, Ball issued €850 million of 4.25% senior notes due in 2032, and repaid a portion of the U.S. dollar revolving credit facility due in 2027 in the amount of \$500 million, as well as the outstanding multi-currency revolving credit facility due in 2027 of \$200 million.

The fair value of Ball's long-term debt was estimated to be \$6.76 billion and \$5.19 billion at June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, respectively. The fair value reflects the market rates at each period end for debt with credit ratings similar to the company's ratings and is classified as Level 2 within the fair value hierarchy. Rates currently available to the company for loans with similar terms and maturities are used to estimate the fair value of long-term debt based on discounted cash flows.

The U.S. note agreements and bank credit agreement contain certain restrictions relating to dividend payments, share repurchases, investments, financial ratios, guarantees and the incurrence of additional indebtedness. The company's most restrictive debt covenant requires it to maintain a leverage ratio (as defined) of no greater than 5.0 times, which will change to 4.5 times as of September 30, 2025. The company was in compliance with the leverage ratio requirement at June 30, 2025, and for all prior periods presented, and has met all debt payment obligations.

16. Taxes on Income

The company's effective tax rate was 22.8 percent and 22.9 percent for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, respectively. As compared to the statutory U.S. tax rate, the effective tax rate for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, increased by 0.8 and 0.9 percentage points, respectively, for non-U.S. rate differences and withholding taxes net of credits, increased by 0.7 and 0.9 percentage points, respectively, for state and local taxes, increased by 0.7 and 0.6 percentage points, respectively, for Pillar Two Global Minimum Taxes and decreased by 1.4 and 0.8 percentage points, respectively, for federal tax credits.

The company's effective tax rate was 24.5 percent and 25.2 percent for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, respectively. As compared to the statutory U.S. tax rate, the effective tax rate for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, increased by 1.7 and 1.2 percentage points, respectively, for state and local taxes, increased by 1.1 and 1.5 percentage points, respectively, for non-U.S. rate differences and withholding taxes net of credits and increased by 0.7 and 0.8 percentage points, respectively, related to Pillar Two Global Minimum Taxes.

On July 4, 2025, the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (the Act) was signed into law. The Act changed U.S. income tax law by, among other things, allowing full expensing of qualified property, changing the calculation of interest expense deduction limitations and modifying certain elements of the international tax framework. The company is currently assessing the impact the Act will have on its consolidated financial statements, which we anticipate to begin reflecting in the third quarter of 2025.

17. Employee Benefit Obligations

(\$ in millions)	June 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Underfunded defined benefit pension liabilities	\$ 252	\$ 263
Less: Current portion	(21)	(20)
Long-term defined benefit pension liabilities	231	243
Long-term retiree medical liabilities	75	79
Deferred compensation plans	187	206
Other	64	49
	<u>\$ 557</u>	<u>\$ 577</u>

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Components of net periodic benefit cost associated with the company's defined benefit pension plans were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended June 30,					
	2025			2024		
	U.S.	Non-U.S.	Total	U.S.	Non-U.S.	Total
Ball-sponsored plans:						
Service cost	\$ 3	\$ —	\$ 3	\$ 4	\$ —	\$ 4
Interest cost	15	23	38	15	21	36
Expected return on plan assets	(20)	(22)	(42)	(22)	(19)	(41)
Amortization of prior service cost	—	—	—	—	—	—
Recognized net actuarial loss	1	4	5	1	3	4
Total net periodic benefit cost	<u>\$ (1)</u>	<u>\$ 5</u>	<u>\$ 4</u>	<u>\$ (2)</u>	<u>\$ 5</u>	<u>\$ 3</u>

(\$ in millions)	Six Months Ended June 30,					
	2025			2024		
	U.S.	Non-U.S.	Total	U.S.	Non-U.S.	Total
Ball-sponsored plans:						
Service cost	\$ 7	\$ —	\$ 7	\$ 8	\$ 1	\$ 9
Interest cost	29	45	74	30	41	71
Expected return on plan assets	(40)	(43)	(83)	(44)	(39)	(83)
Amortization of prior service cost	—	1	1	—	1	1
Recognized net actuarial loss	2	8	10	2	7	9
Total net periodic benefit cost	<u>\$ (2)</u>	<u>\$ 11</u>	<u>\$ 9</u>	<u>\$ (4)</u>	<u>\$ 11</u>	<u>\$ 7</u>

Non-service pension expense of \$1 million and income of \$1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and expense of \$2 million and income of \$2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, is included in selling, general and administrative in the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of earnings.

Contributions to the company's defined benefit pension plans were \$15 million for the first six months of 2025 and 2024, and such contributions are expected to be approximately \$32 million for the full year of 2025. This estimate may change based on changes in the Pension Protection Act, actual plan asset performance and available company cash flow, among other factors.

In November 2023, the Trustee Board of the U.K. defined benefit pension plan entered into an agreement with an insurance company for a bulk annuity purchase, or "buy-in", for its U.K. defined benefit pension plan to reduce retirement plan risk, while delivering promised benefits to plan participants. This transaction allows the company to reduce volatility by removing investment, longevity, mortality, interest rate and inflation risk upon the transfer of substantially all of the pension plan assets to the insurer in exchange for the group annuity insurance contract. At this time the company retains both the fair value of the annuity contract within plan assets and the pension benefit obligations related to these participants. The plan was frozen on April 5, 2024, and future service accruals were replaced with defined contribution benefits for the impacted employees. The company anticipates the "buy-out" will occur within three years of the plan freeze, which will trigger a pension settlement that will result in all plan balances, including accumulated pension components within other comprehensive income, being charged to expense as a noncash settlement charge.

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18. Equity and Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)

The following tables provide additional details of the company's equity activity, inclusive of activity related to the aerospace business impacting the company's equity:

(\$ in millions; share amounts in thousands)	Common Stock		Treasury Stock		Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)	Noncontrolling Interest	Total Equity
	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount				
Balance at March 31, 2025	684,673	\$ 1,401	(405,213)	\$ (6,607)	\$ 11,649	\$ (942)	\$ 68	\$ 5,569
Net earnings	—	—	—	—	212	—	3	215
Other comprehensive earnings (loss), net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	(13)	—	(13)
Common dividends	—	—	—	—	(55)	—	—	(55)
Treasury stock purchases	—	—	(7,598)	(456)	—	—	—	(456)
Treasury shares reissued	—	—	11	3	—	—	—	3
Shares issued and stock compensation for stock options and other stock plans, net of shares exchanged	175	13	—	—	—	—	—	13
Distributions from deferred compensation plans and other activity	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Balance at June 30, 2025	<u>684,848</u>	<u>\$ 1,414</u>	<u>(412,800)</u>	<u>\$ (7,059)</u>	<u>\$ 11,806</u>	<u>\$ (955)</u>	<u>\$ 71</u>	<u>\$ 5,277</u>

(\$ in millions; share amounts in thousands)	Common Stock		Treasury Stock		Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)	Noncontrolling Interest	Total Equity
	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount				
Balance at March 31, 2024	683,560	\$ 1,352	(370,544)	\$ (4,537)	\$ 11,386	\$ (893)	\$ 69	\$ 7,377
Net earnings	—	—	—	—	158	—	1	159
Other comprehensive earnings (loss), net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	(28)	—	(28)
Common dividends	—	—	—	—	(62)	—	—	(62)
Treasury stock purchases	—	—	(7,249)	(485)	—	—	—	(485)
Treasury shares reissued	—	—	(48)	3	—	—	—	3
Shares issued and stock compensation for stock options and other stock plans, net of shares exchanged	241	18	—	—	—	—	—	18
Distributions from deferred compensation plans and other activity	—	—	—	2	(1)	—	—	1
Balance at June 30, 2024	<u>683,801</u>	<u>\$ 1,370</u>	<u>(377,841)</u>	<u>\$ (5,017)</u>	<u>\$ 11,481</u>	<u>\$ (921)</u>	<u>\$ 70</u>	<u>\$ 6,983</u>

(\$ in millions; share amounts in thousands)	Common Stock		Treasury Stock		Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)	Noncontrolling Interest	Total Equity
	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount				
Balance at December 31, 2024	684,168	\$ 1,395	(394,790)	\$ (6,057)	\$ 11,527	\$ (1,003)	\$ 68	\$ 5,930
Net earnings	—	—	—	—	391	—	3	394
Other comprehensive earnings (loss), net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	48	—	48
Common dividends	—	—	—	—	(112)	—	—	(112)
Treasury stock purchases	—	—	(18,092)	(1,016)	—	—	—	(1,016)
Treasury shares reissued	—	—	82	6	—	—	—	6
Shares issued and stock compensation for stock options and other stock plans, net of shares exchanged	680	19	—	—	—	—	—	19
Distributions from deferred compensation plans and other activity	—	—	—	8	—	—	—	8
Balance at June 30, 2025	<u>684,848</u>	<u>\$ 1,414</u>	<u>(412,800)</u>	<u>\$ (7,059)</u>	<u>\$ 11,806</u>	<u>\$ (955)</u>	<u>\$ 71</u>	<u>\$ 5,277</u>

(\$ in millions; share amounts in thousands)	Common Stock		Treasury Stock		Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)	Noncontrolling Interest	Total Equity
	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount				
Balance at December 31, 2023	683,241	\$ 1,312	(367,551)	\$ (4,390)	\$ 7,763	\$ (916)	\$ 68	\$ 3,837
Net earnings	—	—	—	—	3,843	—	2	3,845
Other comprehensive earnings (loss), net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	(5)	—	(5)
Common dividends	—	—	—	—	(125)	—	—	(125)
Treasury stock purchases	—	—	(10,314)	(681)	—	—	—	(681)
Treasury shares reissued	—	—	24	10	—	—	—	10
Shares issued and stock compensation for stock options and other stock plans, net of shares exchanged	560	58	—	—	—	—	—	58
Distributions from deferred compensation plans and other activity	—	—	—	44	—	—	—	44
Balance at June 30, 2024	<u>683,801</u>	<u>\$ 1,370</u>	<u>(377,841)</u>	<u>\$ (5,017)</u>	<u>\$ 11,481</u>	<u>\$ (921)</u>	<u>\$ 70</u>	<u>\$ 6,983</u>

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In the second quarter of 2025, in a privately negotiated transaction, Ball entered into an accelerated share repurchase agreement to buy \$250 million of its common shares using cash on hand and available borrowings. The company paid \$250 million in June 2025, and received 3.63 million shares, which represented approximately 80 percent of the total shares. The average price per share paid under this agreement as of June 30, 2025, was \$55.15. The remaining shares will settle during the third quarter of 2025.

On January 29, 2025, the Board of Directors approved the repurchase by the company of up to \$4.00 billion in shares of its common stock through the end of 2027. This repurchase authorization replaced all previous authorizations.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)

The activity related to accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss) was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Currency Translation (Net of Tax)	Pension and Other Postretirement Benefits (Net of Tax)	Derivatives Designated as Hedges (Net of Tax)	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)
Balance at December 31, 2024	\$ (618)	\$ (402)	\$ 17	\$ (1,003)
Other comprehensive earnings (loss) before reclassifications	111	(46)	(93)	(28)
Amounts reclassified into earnings	6 (a)	7	63	76
Balance at June 30, 2025	<u>\$ (501)</u>	<u>\$ (441)</u>	<u>\$ (13)</u>	<u>\$ (955)</u>

(a) Currency translation recorded in business consolidation and other activities from business disposal.

The following table provides additional details of the amounts reclassified into net earnings from accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss):

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Gains (losses) on cash flow hedges:				
Commodity contracts recorded in net sales	\$ 17	\$ (19)	\$ 12	\$ (6)
Commodity contracts recorded in cost of sales	(1)	4	2	(10)
Currency exchange contracts recorded in selling, general and administrative	(73)	16	(101)	48
Interest rate contracts recorded in interest expense	3	3	3	6
Total before tax effect	(54)	4	(84)	38
Tax benefit (expense) on amounts reclassified into earnings	14	(1)	21	(9)
Recognized gain (loss), net of tax	<u>\$ (40)</u>	<u>\$ 3</u>	<u>\$ (63)</u>	<u>\$ 29</u>
Amortization and disposal of pension and other postretirement benefits:				
(a)				
Actuarial gains (losses) (b)	\$ (4)	\$ (3)	\$ (8)	\$ (6)
Prior service income (expense) (b)	(1)	—	(1)	(1)
Aerospace disposal	—	—	—	(127)
Total before tax effect	(5)	(3)	(9)	(134)
Tax benefit (expense) on amounts reclassified into earnings	1	1	2	35
Recognized gain (loss), net of tax	<u>\$ (4)</u>	<u>\$ (2)</u>	<u>\$ (7)</u>	<u>\$ (99)</u>

(a) 2024 includes amounts associated with the Salaried Employees of Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp. Pension Plan

(b) These components are included in the computation of net periodic benefit cost detailed in [Note 17](#).

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19. Earnings and Dividends Per Share

(\$ in millions, except per share amounts; shares in thousands)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Earnings from continuing operations attributable to Ball Corporation, net of tax	\$ 212	\$ 158	\$ 393	\$ 236
Discontinued operations, net of tax	—	—	(2)	3,607
Net earnings attributable to Ball Corporation	\$ 212	\$ 158	\$ 391	\$ 3,843
Basic weighted average common shares	276,102	309,269	279,677	312,109
Effect of dilutive securities	1,669	2,695	1,728	2,581
Weighted average shares applicable to diluted earnings per share	<u>277,771</u>	<u>311,964</u>	<u>281,405</u>	<u>314,690</u>
Basic - continuing operations	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.51	\$ 1.41	\$ 0.76
Basic - discontinued operations	—	—	(0.01)	11.55
Per basic share	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.51	\$ 1.40	\$ 12.31
Diluted - continuing operations	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.51	\$ 1.40	\$ 0.75
Diluted - discontinued operations	—	—	(0.01)	11.46
Per diluted share	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.51	\$ 1.39	\$ 12.21

Certain outstanding options were excluded from the diluted earnings per share calculation because they were anti-dilutive. The excluded options totaled approximately 5 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024.

The company declared and paid dividends of \$0.20 per share for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, and \$0.40 per share for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024.

20. Financial Instruments and Risk Management
Policies and Procedures

The company employs established risk management policies and procedures, which seek to reduce the company's commercial risk exposure to fluctuations in commodity prices, interest rates, currency exchange rates, net investments in foreign operations and prices of the company's common stock with regard to common share repurchases and the company's deferred compensation stock plan. However, there can be no assurance that these policies and procedures will be successful. Although the instruments utilized involve varying degrees of credit, market and interest risk, the counterparties to the agreements are expected to perform fully under the terms of the agreements. The company monitors counterparty credit risk, including lenders, on a regular basis, but Ball cannot be certain that all risks will be discerned or that its risk management policies and procedures will always be effective. Additionally, in the event of default under the company's master derivative agreements, the non-defaulting party has the option to offset any amounts owed with regard to open derivative positions.

Commodity Price Risk - The company manages commodity price risk in connection with market price fluctuations of aluminum through two different methods. First, the company enters into container sales contracts that include aluminum-based pricing terms which generally reflect the same price fluctuations under commercial purchase contracts for aluminum sheet. The terms include fixed, floating or pass-through aluminum component pricing. Second, the company uses certain derivative instruments, including option and forward contracts, as economic and cash flow hedges of commodity price risk where there are material differences between sales and purchase contracted pricing and volume.

Interest Rate Risk - The company's objective in managing exposure to interest rate changes is to minimize the impact of interest rate changes on earnings and cash flows and to lower its overall borrowing costs. To achieve these objectives, the company may use a variety of interest rate swaps, collars and options to manage its mix of floating and fixed-rate debt.

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Currency Exchange Rate Risk - The company's objective in managing exposure to currency fluctuations is to limit the exposure of cash flows and earnings from changes associated with currency exchange rate changes through the use of various derivative contracts. In addition, at times the company manages earnings translation volatility through the use of currency option strategies, and the change in the fair value of those options is recorded in the company's net earnings.

Net Investments in Foreign Operations Risk – The company is exposed to changes in foreign currencies impacting its net investments held in foreign subsidiaries. The company's objective in managing exposure to net investments in foreign operations is to limit the foreign exchange translation risk associated with its net investments in non-U.S. dollar foreign entities. The company uses fixed-for-fixed cross currency swaps and euro denominated debt designated as net investment hedges to achieve this objective.

The following table provides additional information related to the commercial risk management derivative instruments described above:

(\$ in millions)	June 30, 2025				
	Commodity	Currency	Interest Rate	Net Investment	
Commercial risk area					
Notional amount of contracts	\$ 1,586	\$ 3,064	\$ 600	€ 1,050	
Net gain (loss) included in AOCI, after-tax	(11)	(3)	1		(90)
Net gain (loss) included in AOCI, after-tax, expected to be recognized in net earnings within the next 12 months	(11)	(3)	2		—
Longest duration of forecasted hedge transactions in years	2	2	2		4

In May 2025, Ball issued €850 million of 4.25% senior notes due in 2032 and designated the principal as a net investment hedge. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, the company recorded a net loss, after tax in accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss) for this nonderivative financial instrument of \$35 million. The net loss included in AOCI, after tax, as of June 30, 2025, was \$35 million for this nonderivative financial instrument.

Common Stock Price Risk

The company's deferred compensation stock program is subject to variable plan accounting and, accordingly, is marked to fair value using the company's closing stock price at the end of the related reporting period. The company entered into total return swaps to reduce the company's earnings exposure to these fair value fluctuations that will be outstanding through March 2026, and which have a combined notional value of 1.3 million shares. Based on the current number of shares in the program, each \$1 change in the company's stock price would have an insignificant impact on pretax earnings, net of the impact of related derivatives.

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Fair Value Measurements

Ball has classified all applicable financial derivative assets and liabilities as Level 2 within the fair value hierarchy as of June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, and presented those values in the tables below. The company's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment and may affect the valuation of fair value assets and liabilities and their placement within the fair value hierarchy levels.

		June 30, 2025		
		Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments	Derivatives not Designated as Hedging Instruments	
(\$ in millions)	Balance Sheet Location			Total
Assets:				
Commodity contracts		\$ 28	\$ —	\$ 28
Currency contracts		—	24	24
Interest rate and other contracts		3	2	5
Total current derivative contracts	Other current assets	\$ 31	\$ 26	\$ 57
Commodity contracts		\$ 2	\$ —	\$ 2
Currency contracts		—	1	1
Total noncurrent derivative contracts	Other noncurrent assets	\$ 2	\$ 1	\$ 3
Liabilities:				
Commodity contracts		\$ 36	\$ 9	\$ 45
Currency contracts		48	54	102
Total current derivative contracts	Other current liabilities	\$ 84	\$ 63	\$ 147
Commodity contracts		\$ 1	\$ —	\$ 1
Interest rate and other contracts		2	—	2
Net investment hedge		110	—	110
Total noncurrent derivative contracts	Other noncurrent liabilities	\$ 113	\$ —	\$ 113

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		December 31, 2024		
		Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments	Derivatives not Designated as Hedging Instruments	Total
(\$ in millions)	Balance Sheet Location			
Assets:				
Commodity contracts		\$ 26	\$ —	\$ 26
Currency contracts		—	36	36
Interest rate and other contracts		4	—	4
Total current derivative contracts	Other current assets	\$ 30	\$ 36	\$ 66
Currency contracts		\$ 51	\$ —	\$ 51
Interest rate and other contracts		6	—	6
Net investment hedge		20	—	20
Total noncurrent derivative contracts	Other noncurrent assets	\$ 77	\$ —	\$ 77
Liabilities:				
Commodity contracts		\$ 7	\$ —	\$ 7
Currency contracts		—	13	13
Total current derivative contracts	Other current liabilities	\$ 7	\$ 13	\$ 20
Commodity contracts		\$ 1	\$ —	\$ 1
Other contracts		—	12	12
Total noncurrent derivative contracts	Other noncurrent liabilities	\$ 1	\$ 12	\$ 13

The company uses closing spot and forward market prices as published by the London Metal Exchange, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, Reuters and Bloomberg to determine the fair value of any outstanding aluminum, currency, energy, cross currency swaps and interest rate spot and forward contracts. Option contracts are valued using a Black-Scholes model with observable market inputs for aluminum, currency and interest rates. The company values each of its financial instruments either internally using a single valuation technique, from a reliable observable market source or from third-party software. The present value discounting factor is based on the comparable time period Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) or Euro London Inter-Bank Offered Rate (Euro LIBOR). Ball performs validations of the company's internally derived fair values reported for the company's financial instruments on a quarterly basis utilizing counterparty valuation statements. The company additionally evaluates counterparty creditworthiness and, as of June 30, 2025, has not identified any circumstances requiring the reported values of the company's financial instruments be adjusted.

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The following tables provide the effects of derivative instruments in the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of earnings:

		Three Months Ended June 30,			
		2025		2024	
(\$ in millions)	Location of Gain (Loss) Recognized in Earnings on Derivatives	Cash Flow Hedge - Reclassified Amount from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives not Designated as Hedge Instruments	Cash Flow Hedge - Reclassified Amount from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives not Designated as Hedge Instruments
Commodity contracts - <i>manage exposure to customer pricing</i>	Net sales	\$ 17	\$ —	\$ (19)	\$ —
Commodity contracts - <i>manage exposure to supplier pricing</i>	Cost of sales	(1)	6	4	(9)
Interest rate contracts - <i>manage exposure for outstanding debt</i>	Interest expense	3	—	3	—
Currency contracts - <i>manage currency exposure</i>	Selling, general and administrative	(73)	(99)	16	29
Equity contracts	Selling, general and administrative	—	4	—	(11)
Total		<u>\$ (54)</u>	<u>\$ (89)</u>	<u>\$ 4</u>	<u>\$ 9</u>

		Six Months Ended June 30,			
		2025		2024	
(\$ in millions)	Location of Gain (Loss) Recognized in Earnings on Derivatives	Cash Flow Hedge - Reclassified Amount from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives not Designated as Hedge Instruments	Cash Flow Hedge - Reclassified Amount from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives not Designated as Hedge Instruments
Commodity contracts - <i>manage exposure to customer pricing</i>	Net sales	\$ 12	\$ —	\$ (6)	\$ —
Commodity contracts - <i>manage exposure to supplier pricing</i>	Cost of sales	2	6	(10)	(6)
Interest rate contracts - <i>manage exposure for outstanding debt</i>	Interest expense	3	—	6	—
Currency contracts - <i>manage currency exposure</i>	Selling, general and administrative	(101)	(170)	48	56
Equity contracts	Selling, general and administrative	—	(1)	—	3
Total		<u>\$ (84)</u>	<u>\$ (165)</u>	<u>\$ 38</u>	<u>\$ 53</u>

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The changes in accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss) for derivatives designated as hedges were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Amounts reclassified into earnings:				
Commodity contracts	\$ (16)	\$ 15	\$ (14)	\$ 16
Interest rate contracts	(3)	(3)	(3)	(6)
Currency exchange contracts	73	(16)	101	(48)
Change in fair value of hedges:				
Commodity contracts	(19)	9	(19)	10
Interest rate contracts	(2)	4	(6)	16
Currency exchange contracts	(69)	16	(97)	45
Net investment hedge	(84)	—	(106)	—
Currency and tax impacts	9	(6)	8	(9)
	<u>\$ (111)</u>	<u>\$ 19</u>	<u>\$ (136)</u>	<u>\$ 24</u>

21. Contingencies

Ball is subject to numerous lawsuits, claims or proceedings arising out of the ordinary course of business, including actions related to product liability; personal injury; the use and performance of company products; warranty matters; patent, trademark or other intellectual property infringement; contractual liability; the conduct of the company's business; tax reporting in domestic and non-U.S. jurisdictions; workplace safety and environmental and other matters. The company has also been identified as a potentially responsible party (PRP) at several waste disposal sites under U.S. federal and related state environmental statutes and regulations and may have joint and several liability for any investigation and remediation costs incurred with respect to such sites. In addition, the company has received claims alleging that employees in certain plants have suffered damages due to exposure to alleged workplace hazards. Some of these lawsuits, claims and proceedings involve substantial amounts, including as described below, and some of the environmental proceedings involve potential monetary costs or sanctions that may be material. Ball has denied liability with respect to many of these lawsuits, claims and proceedings and is vigorously defending such lawsuits, claims and proceedings. The company carries various forms of commercial, property and casualty, and other forms of insurance; however, such insurance may not be applicable or adequate to cover the costs associated with a judgment against Ball with respect to these lawsuits, claims and proceedings. The company estimates that potential liabilities for all currently known and estimable environmental matters are approximately \$26 million in the aggregate, and such amounts have been included in other current liabilities and other noncurrent liabilities at June 30, 2025. Based on the information available at the present time, any reasonably possible loss that may be incurred in excess of the recorded accruals cannot be estimated.

On February 1, 2012, Ball Metal Beverage Container Corp. ("BMBCC") filed suit against Crown Technology Holding, Inc. ("Crown") in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio seeking a declaratory judgment that the CDL beverage can end made and sold by BMBCC did not infringe certain U.S. patents held by Crown. In response, Crown filed a counterclaim alleging that the CDL ends made and sold by BMBCC infringed the subject patents and seeking damages. On September 25, 2019, the District Court granted BMBCC's motion for summary judgment holding that the patents at issue were invalid due to indefiniteness. On October 20, 2019, Crown appealed this decision to the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit ("CAFC"). On December 31, 2020, the CAFC in a non-precedential decision, vacated the decision of the District Court finding that the District Court had not considered an additional factor under a novel position advanced by the CAFC, and remanded the case to the District Court for further proceedings. On August 2, 2023, the District Court again granted summary judgment to Ball finding that patent claims at issue are invalid due to invalidity under the revised analytical framework specified by the CAFC. On August 4, 2023, Crown appealed this decision to the CAFC. On June 30, 2025, the CAFC affirmed the decision of the District Court.

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The company's operations in Brazil are involved in various governmental assessments, which have historically mainly related to claims for taxes on the internal transfer of inventory, gross revenue taxes, and indirect tax incentives and deductibility of goodwill. In addition, one of the company's Brazilian subsidiaries received an income tax assessment focused on the disallowance of deductions associated with the acquisition price paid to a third party for a portion of its operations. Based on the information available at the present time, the Company is unable to predict the ultimate outcome of these claims including the amount of reasonably possible loss and intends to vigorously defend these matters.

22. Indemnifications and Guarantees

General Guarantees

The company or its appropriate consolidated direct or indirect subsidiaries have made certain indemnities, commitments and guarantees under which the specified entity may be required to make payments in relation to certain transactions. These indemnities, commitments and guarantees are in contracts to which the company or its subsidiaries are a party, including agreements with customers of the subsidiaries in connection with the sales of their packaging products and services; guarantees to suppliers of subsidiaries of the company guaranteeing the performance of the respective entity under a purchase agreement, construction contract, renewable energy purchase contract or other commitment; guarantees in respect of certain non-U.S. subsidiaries' pension plans; indemnities for liabilities associated with the infringement of third-party patents, trademarks or copyrights under various types of agreements; indemnities to various lessors in connection with facility, equipment, furniture and other personal property leases for certain claims arising from such leases; indemnities pursuant to agreements relating to certain joint ventures; indemnities in connection with the sale of businesses or substantially all of the assets and specified liabilities of businesses; and indemnities to directors, officers and employees of the company to the extent permitted under the laws of the State of Indiana and the United States of America. The duration of these indemnities, commitments and guarantees varies and, in certain cases, is indefinite.

In addition, many of these indemnities, commitments and guarantees do not provide for any limitation on the maximum potential future payments the company could be obligated to make. As such, the company is unable to reasonably estimate its potential exposure under these items.

The company has not recorded any material liabilities for these indemnities, commitments and guarantees in the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets. The company does, however, accrue for payments under promissory notes and other evidences of incurred indebtedness and for losses for any known contingent liability, including those that may arise from indemnifications, commitments and guarantees, when future payment is both reasonably estimable and probable. Finally, the company carries specific and general liability insurance policies and has obtained indemnities, commitments and guarantees from third-party purchasers, sellers and other contracting parties, which the company believes would, in certain circumstances, provide recourse to certain claims arising from these indemnifications, commitments and guarantees.

Debt Guarantees

The company's and its subsidiaries' obligations under the senior notes and senior credit facilities (or, in the case of U.S. domiciled non-U.S. subsidiaries under the senior credit facilities, the obligations of non-U.S. credit parties only) are guaranteed on a full, unconditional and joint and several basis by certain of the company's domestic subsidiaries and the domestic subsidiary borrowers, and obligations of other guarantors and the subsidiary borrowers under the senior credit facilities are guaranteed by the company, in each case with certain exceptions. These guarantees are required in support of the senior notes and senior credit facilities referred to above, are coterminous with the terms of the respective note indentures, senior notes and credit agreement, and they could be enforced by the holders of the obligations thereunder during the continuation of an event of default under the note indentures, the senior notes and/or the credit agreement. The maximum potential amounts which could be required to be paid under such guarantees are essentially equal to then-outstanding obligations under the respective senior notes or the credit agreement (or, in the case of U.S. domiciled non-U.S. subsidiaries under the senior credit facilities, the obligations of non-U.S. credit parties only), with certain exceptions. All obligations under the guarantees of the senior credit facilities are secured, with certain exceptions, by a valid first priority perfected lien or pledge on (i) 100 percent of the capital stock of each of the company's material wholly owned domestic subsidiaries directly owned by the company or any of its wholly owned domestic subsidiaries and (ii) 65 percent of the capital stock of each of the company's material wholly owned first-tier non-U.S. subsidiaries directly owned by the company or any of its wholly owned domestic subsidiaries. In addition, the obligations of certain

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non-U.S. borrowers and non-U.S. pledgors under the loan documents will be secured, with certain exceptions, by a valid first priority perfected lien or pledge on 100 percent of the capital stock of certain of the company's material wholly owned non-U.S. subsidiaries and material wholly owned U.S. domiciled non-U.S. subsidiaries directly owned by the company or any of its wholly owned material subsidiaries. The company is not in default under the above-referenced senior notes or senior credit facilities.

Item 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Management's discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements (consolidated financial statements) and accompanying notes included in [Item 1](#) of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, which include additional information about our accounting policies, practices and the transactions underlying our financial results. The preparation of our consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in our consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes, including various claims and contingencies related to lawsuits, taxes, environmental and other matters arising during the normal course of business. We apply our best judgment, our knowledge of existing facts and circumstances and actions that we may undertake in the future in determining the estimates that affect our consolidated financial statements. We evaluate our estimates on an ongoing basis using our historical experience, as well as other factors we believe appropriate under the circumstances, such as current economic conditions, and adjust or revise our estimates as circumstances change. As future events and their effects cannot be determined with precision, actual results may differ from these estimates. Ball Corporation and its subsidiaries are referred to collectively as "Ball Corporation," "Ball," "the company," "we" or "our" in the following discussion and analysis.

OVERVIEW

Business Overview and Industry Trends

Ball Corporation is one of the world's leading aluminum packaging suppliers. With a growth mindset and by pursuing operational excellence, we lean on our competitive strengths to reach our financial goals. We are focused on maintaining our strong financial position by listening to and partnering with our global customers, delivering operational efficiencies and an innovative product portfolio from our best-in-class manufacturing facilities and returning value to shareholders via share repurchases and dividends. In the aluminum packaging industry, sales and earnings can be increased by reducing costs, increasing prices, developing new products, expanding volume and making strategic acquisitions.

We sell our aluminum packaging products mainly to large, multinational beverage, personal care and household products companies with which we have developed long-term relationships. This is evidenced by our high customer retention and our large number of long-term supply contracts. While we have a diversified customer base, we sell a significant portion of our packaging products to major companies and brands, as well as to numerous regional customers. The overall global aluminum packaging industry is growing and is expected to continue to grow in the medium to long term.

We purchase our raw materials from relatively few suppliers. We also have exposure to inflation, in particular the rising costs of raw materials, as well as other direct cost inputs. We mitigate our exposure to the changes in the costs of aluminum through the inclusion of provisions in contracts covering the majority of our volume to pass-through aluminum price changes, as well as through the use of derivative instruments. The pass-through provisions generally result in proportional increases or decreases in sales and costs with a greatly reduced impact, if any, on net earnings; however, there may be timing differences of when the costs are passed through. Because of our customer and supplier concentration, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected by the loss, insolvency or bankruptcy of a major customer or supplier or a change in a supply agreement with a major customer or supplier, although our contract provisions generally mitigate the risk of customer loss, and our long-term relationships represent a known, stable customer base.

From time to time, we have evaluated and expect to continue to evaluate possible transactions that we believe will benefit the company and our shareholders, which may include strategic acquisitions, divestitures of parts of our company or equity investments. At any time, we may be engaged in discussions or negotiations at various stages of development with respect to one or more possible transactions or may have entered into non-binding letters of intent. As part of any such initiatives, we may participate in processes being run by other companies or leading our own activities.

RESULTS OF CONSOLIDATED OPERATIONS

Management's discussion and analysis for our results of operations on a consolidated and segment basis include a quantification of factors that had a material impact. Other factors that did not have a material impact, but that are significant to understand the results, are qualitatively described.

Global Economic Environment

Current and future inflationary effects may continue to be impacted by, among other things, supply chain disruptions, governmental stimulus or fiscal and monetary policies, changes in interest rates, tariffs, and changing demand for certain goods and services. There is currently significant uncertainty as to the extent and duration of tariffs and the associated impacts on inflation. Furthermore, we cannot predict with any certainty the impact that interest rates, a global or any regional recession, tariffs, or higher inflation may have on our customers or suppliers. Additionally, we are unable to predict the potential effects that any future pandemic, hyperinflation in Argentina and Egypt, or the continuation or escalation of global conflicts, including the conflict between Russia and Ukraine and the instability in the Middle East and Myanmar, and related sanctions or market disruptions, may have on our business. It remains uncertain how long any of these conditions may last or how severe any of them may become.

Consolidated Sales and Earnings

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Net sales	\$ 3,338	\$ 2,959	\$ 6,435	\$ 5,833
Net earnings attributable to Ball Corporation	212	158	391	3,843
Net earnings attributable to Ball Corporation as a % of net sales	6 %	5 %	6 %	66 %

Sales in the three months ended June 30, 2025, increased \$379 million compared to the same period in 2024 primarily due to increases of \$224 million from higher volume, \$127 million from price/mix, mainly from higher aluminum prices, and \$53 million from currency translation. Sales in the six months ended June 30, 2025, increased \$602 million compared to the same period in 2024 primarily due to increases of \$343 million from higher volume and \$263 million from price/mix, mainly from higher aluminum prices.

Net earnings attributable to Ball Corporation for the three months ended June 30, 2025, increased \$54 million compared to the same period in 2024 primarily due to increases of \$48 million from lower business consolidation and other activities and \$28 million from the results of the reportable segments discussed below, partially offset by decreases of \$13 million due to higher interest expense, \$12 million from a higher provision for income taxes and \$12 million from lower interest income in corporate undistributed expenses, net. Net earnings attributable to Ball Corporation for the six months ended June 30, 2025, decreased \$3.45 billion compared to the same period in 2024 primarily due to decreases of \$3.61 billion from lower discontinued operations, net of tax, \$38 million from a higher provision for income taxes and \$28 million from lower interest income in corporate undistributed expenses, net, partially offset by increases of \$82 million from lower incremental compensation cost from the successful sale of the aerospace business incurred in 2024, \$61 million from lower business consolidation and other activities and \$56 million from the results of the reportable segments discussed below.

When analyzing net earnings attributable to Ball Corporation as a percentage of net sales, it is important to note that net earnings attributable to Ball Corporation in 2024 includes discontinued operations, net of tax resulting from the net sales attributable to the historical aerospace reportable segment through the date of the divestiture on February 16, 2024, that are reported as discontinued operations. However, net sales attributable to the historical aerospace reportable segment are not included in the 2024 net sales figures in the table above.

Cost of Sales (Excluding Depreciation and Amortization)

Cost of sales, excluding depreciation and amortization, was \$2,690 million and \$2,357 million for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$5,183 million and \$4,640 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. These amounts represented 81 percent and 80 percent of consolidated net sales for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and 81 percent and 80 percent of consolidated net sales for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. The increase for the three months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to higher aluminum costs of \$310 million and other items discussed in the reportable segment sections below. The increase for the six months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to higher aluminum costs of \$489 million and other items discussed in the reportable segment sections below.

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Depreciation and Amortization

Depreciation and amortization expense was \$155 million and \$152 million for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$305 million and \$310 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. These amounts represented 5 percent of consolidated net sales for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024.

Selling, General and Administrative

Selling, general and administrative was \$137 million and \$139 million for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$286 million and \$376 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. These amounts represented 4 percent and 5 percent of consolidated net sales for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and 4 percent and 6 percent of consolidated net sales for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. The decrease for the six months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to decreased compensation costs of \$63 million, which in 2024 included incremental cash bonuses and stock-based compensation cost from the successful sale of the aerospace business.

Business Consolidation and Other Activities

Business consolidation and other activities resulted in charges of \$12 million and \$60 million for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$25 million and \$86 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. The 2025 amounts include costs for previously announced facility closures and a loss related to the aluminum cups business transaction. The charges for the six months ended June 30, 2025, were partially offset by income from the receipt of insurance proceeds for replacement costs related to the 2023 fire at the company's Verona, Virginia extruded aluminum slug manufacturing facility. The 2024 amounts primarily included facility shutdown costs. Further details regarding business consolidation and other activities are provided in [Note 6](#).

Interest Income

Interest income was \$5 million and \$18 million for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$12 million and \$44 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. The decreases in interest income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, were primarily due to the higher amount of cash on hand in 2024 from the sale of the aerospace business.

Interest Expense

Interest expense was \$81 million and \$68 million for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$151 million and \$161 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. Interest expense as a percentage of average borrowings decreased by approximately 20 basis points from 4.7 percent for the three months ended June 30, 2024, to 4.5 percent for the three months ended June 30, 2025, and decreased approximately 50 basis points from 5.0 percent for the six months ended June 30, 2024, to 4.5 percent for the six months ended June 30, 2025. The interest expense increase for the three months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily driven by an increase of \$17 million from a higher amount of weighted average principal outstanding during the quarter. The interest expense decrease for the six months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily driven by a decrease of \$17 million from lower weighted average interest rates on outstanding debt during the year.

Income Taxes

The effective tax rate for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, was 22.8 percent and 22.9 percent, respectively, compared to 24.5 percent and 25.2 percent for the same periods in 2024. The decreases of 1.7 percentage points and 2.3 percentage points for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, respectively, were primarily due to the effects of federal tax credits and reduced state and local taxes. Similar impacts may occur in future periods, but given their inherent uncertainty, the company is unable to reasonably estimate their potential future impacts.

RESULTS OF BUSINESS SEGMENTS

Segment Results

Ball's operations are organized and reviewed by management along its product lines and geographical areas, and its operating results are presented in the three reportable segments discussed below.

Beverage Packaging, North and Central America

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Net sales	\$ 1,613	\$ 1,469	\$ 3,076	\$ 2,872
Comparable operating earnings	208	210	403	402
Comparable operating earnings as a % of segment net sales	13 %	14 %	13 %	14 %

Ball permanently ceased production at its aluminum beverage can manufacturing facility in Kent, Washington in the first quarter of 2024 and acquired an aluminum beverage can manufacturing facility in Winter Haven, Florida in the first quarter of 2025 as part of its acquisition of Florida Can Manufacturing. See [Note 4](#) for further details on the acquisition.

Segment sales for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, were \$144 million higher and \$204 million higher, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2024. The increase for the three months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to increases of \$94 million from higher volume and \$50 million from price/mix, mainly from higher aluminum prices. The increase for the six months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to increases of \$105 million from higher volume and \$99 million from price/mix, mainly from higher aluminum prices.

Comparable operating earnings for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, were \$2 million lower and \$1 million higher, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2024. The decrease for the three months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to decreases of \$22 million from price/mix and higher costs, partially offset by an increase of \$26 million from higher volume. The increase for the six months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to an increase of \$27 million from higher volume, partially offset by a decrease of \$23 million from price/mix.

Beverage Packaging, EMEA

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Net sales	\$ 1,050	\$ 880	\$ 1,953	\$ 1,690
Comparable operating earnings	129	113	225	198
Comparable operating earnings as a % of segment net sales	12 %	13 %	12 %	12 %

Segment sales for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, were \$170 million higher and \$263 million higher, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2024. The increase for the three months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to increases of \$59 million from price/mix, mainly from higher aluminum prices, \$58 million from higher volume and \$53 million from currency translation. The increase for the six months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to increases of \$127 million from higher volume, \$110 million from price/mix, mainly from higher aluminum prices, and \$26 million from currency translation.

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Comparable operating earnings for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, were \$16 million higher and \$27 million higher, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2024. The increase for the three months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to increases of \$21 million from higher volume and \$13 million from price/mix, partially offset by a decrease of \$24 million from higher costs. The increase for the six months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to increases of \$39 million from price/mix and \$35 million from higher volume, partially offset by a decrease of \$48 million from higher costs.

Beverage Packaging, South America

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Net sales	\$ 477	\$ 422	\$ 1,021	\$ 904
Comparable operating earnings	51	37	120	92
Comparable operating earnings as a % of segment net sales	11 %	9 %	12 %	10 %

Segment sales for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, were \$55 million higher and \$117 million higher, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2024. The increase for the three months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to an increase of \$52 million from higher volume. The increase for the six months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to increases of \$79 million from higher volume and \$38 million from price/mix, mainly from higher aluminum prices.

Comparable operating earnings for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, were \$14 million higher and \$28 million higher, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2024. The increase for the three months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to an increase of \$16 million from higher volume. The increase for the six months ended June 30, 2025, was primarily due to increases of \$27 million from higher volume and \$13 million from price/mix, partially offset by a decrease of \$12 million from higher costs.

Management Performance Measures

Management internally uses various measures to evaluate company financial performance such as comparable operating earnings (earnings before interest expense, taxes and business consolidation and other non-comparable items); comparable net earnings (net earnings attributable to Ball Corporation before business consolidation and other non-comparable items after tax); comparable diluted earnings per share (comparable net earnings divided by diluted weighted average shares outstanding); return on average invested capital (net operating earnings after tax over the relevant performance period divided by average invested capital over the same period); economic value added (EVA®) dollars (net operating earnings after tax less a capital charge on average invested capital employed); earnings before interest expense, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA); and diluted earnings per share. In addition, management uses operating cash flows, free cash flow (cash flows from operating activities less capital expenditures; and, it may be adjusted for additional items that affect comparability between periods) and adjusted free cash flow (free cash flow adjusted for payments made for income tax liabilities related to the aerospace disposition and other material dispositions) as measures to evaluate the company's liquidity. We believe this information is also useful to investors as it provides insight into the earnings and cash flow criteria that management uses to make strategic decisions. These financial measures may be adjusted at times for items that affect comparability between periods, including business consolidation and other non-comparable items.

Nonfinancial measures used in the packaging businesses include production efficiency and spoilage rates; quality control figures; environmental, health and safety statistics; production and sales volume data; asset utilization rates and measures of sustainability. References to sales volume data represent units shipped.

Many of the above noted financial measurements are presented on a non-U.S. GAAP basis and should be considered in connection with the consolidated financial statements included within [Item 1](#) of this report. Non-U.S. GAAP measures should not be considered in isolation and should not be considered superior to, or a substitute for, financial measures calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP. A presentation of earnings in accordance with U.S. GAAP is available in [Item 1](#) of this report.

NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

For information regarding recent accounting pronouncements, see [Note 2](#) to the consolidated financial statements included within [Item 1](#) of this report on Form 10-Q.

FINANCIAL CONDITION, LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES*Cash Flows and Capital Expenditures*

Our primary sources of liquidity are cash provided by operating activities and external borrowings. We believe that cash flows from operating activities and cash provided by short-term, long-term and committed revolver borrowings, when necessary, will be sufficient to meet our ongoing operating requirements, scheduled principal and interest payments on debt, dividend payments, anticipated share repurchases and anticipated capital expenditures. We have limited near-term debt maturities and our senior credit facilities are in place until 2027. The following table summarizes our cash flows:

(\$ in millions)	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024
Cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ (333)	\$ (995)
Cash flows provided by (used in) investing activities	(391)	5,204
Cash flows provided by (used in) financing activities	88	(3,496)

Cash flows from the historical aerospace reportable segment are presented within each cash flow statement category in the consolidated statement of cash flows for the six months ended June 30, 2024. Depreciation and amortization, capital expenditures and significant operating and investing noncash items of the aerospace discontinued operation are presented in [Note 4](#).

Cash flows used in operating activities were \$333 million in 2025, primarily driven by working capital outflows of \$838 million, partially offset by earnings from continuing operations of \$396 million and a reconciling adjustment to operating cash flows of \$305 million for depreciation and amortization. On February 16, 2024, the company completed the sale of the aerospace business. We currently estimate a total cash tax of \$840 million for the sale of the aerospace business, of which \$766 million was paid in 2024 and \$19 million was paid during the second quarter of 2025. The remaining amount is expected to be paid in 2025. See [Note 4](#) for further details. In a dynamic economic environment, payment terms with our customers and vendors become a more important element of total mix of information used to negotiate our contract terms. At June 30, 2025, a change of one day in days sales outstanding will impact cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities by \$37 million, a change of one day in days payable outstanding will impact cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities by \$30 million and a change of one day in days inventory on hand will impact cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities by \$30 million.

Cash flows used in investing activities were \$391 million in 2025, primarily driven by capital expenditures of \$177 million and \$160 million of cash consideration used for the acquisition of Florida Can Manufacturing. See [Note 4](#) for further details on the acquisition.

Cash flows provided by financing activities were \$88 million in 2025, primarily driven by a net inflow from long-term and short-term borrowings of \$1.23 billion, primarily driven by the issuance of €850 million of 4.25% senior notes due in 2032, partially offset by repurchases of common stock of \$1.02 billion and dividends of \$112 million. See [Note 15](#) for further details on the company's borrowings and additional amounts available.

We have entered into several regional accounts receivable factoring programs with various financial institutions for certain of our accounts receivable. The programs are accounted for as true sales of the receivables, with limited recourse to Ball, and had combined limits of approximately \$1.78 billion and \$1.60 billion at June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, respectively. A total of \$602 million and \$428 million were available for sale under these programs as of June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, respectively. The company has recorded expense related to its factoring programs of \$9 million and \$10 million for the three months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$19 million and \$23 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and has presented these amounts in selling, general and administrative in its unaudited condensed consolidated statements of earnings.

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The amount of obligations outstanding that the company confirmed as valid to the financial institutions under the company's regional supplier finance programs was \$365 million and \$423 million at June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, respectively. These amounts are classified within accounts payable on the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets, and the associated payments are reflected in the cash flows from operating activities section of the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of cash flows.

Contributions to the company's defined benefit pension plans were \$15 million in the first six months of 2025 and 2024, and such contributions are expected to be approximately \$32 million for the full year of 2025. This estimate may change based on changes in the Pension Protection Act, actual plan asset performance and available company cash flow, among other factors.

The company expects that 2025 capital expenditures for property, plant and equipment will likely be in the range of \$600 million. Approximately \$332 million of capital expenditures for property, plant and equipment were contractually committed as of June 30, 2025, and the company intends to return approximately \$220 million to shareholders in the form of dividends for the full year 2025, inclusive of the cash dividend of 20 cents per share, payable September 16, 2025, to shareholders of record as of September 2, 2025.

As of June 30, 2025, approximately \$284 million of our cash was held outside of the U.S. In the event that we would need to utilize any of the cash held outside of the U.S. for purposes within the U.S., there are no material legal or other economic restrictions regarding the repatriation of cash from any of the countries outside the U.S. where we have cash. The company believes its U.S. operating cash flows and cash on hand, as well as availability under its long-term, revolving credit facilities, uncommitted short-term credit facilities and accounts receivable factoring programs, will be sufficient to meet the cash requirements of the U.S. portion of our ongoing operations, scheduled principal and interest payments on U.S. debt, dividend payments, capital expenditures and other U.S. cash requirements. If non-U.S. funds are needed for our U.S. cash requirements and we are unable to provide the funds through intercompany financing arrangements, we may be required to repatriate funds from non-U.S. locations where the company has previously asserted indefinite reinvestment of funds outside the U.S.

Based on its indefinite reinvestment assertion, the company has not provided deferred taxes on earnings in certain non-U.S. subsidiaries because such earnings are intended to be indefinitely reinvested in its international operations. It is not practical to estimate the additional taxes that might become payable if these earnings were remitted to the U.S.

Share Repurchases

The company's share repurchases totaled \$1.02 billion during the six months ended June 30, 2025, compared to \$665 million of repurchases during the same period of 2024. The repurchases were completed using cash on hand, cash provided by operating activities and available borrowings. The company plans to continue capital return to shareholders via an estimated \$1.3 billion in share repurchases in 2025.

In the second quarter of 2025, in a privately negotiated transaction, Ball entered into an accelerated share repurchase agreement to buy \$250 million of its common shares using cash on hand and available borrowings. The company paid \$250 million in June 2025, and received 3.63 million shares, which represented approximately 80 percent of the total shares. The average price per share paid under this agreement as of June 30, 2025, was \$55.15. The remaining shares will settle during the third quarter of 2025.

On January 29, 2025, the Board of Directors approved the repurchase by the company of up to \$4.00 billion in shares of its common stock through the end of 2027. This repurchase authorization replaced all previous authorizations. At June 30, 2025, \$3.22 billion remains available to be repurchased.

Debt Facilities and Other Activities

Given our cash flow projections and unused credit facilities that are available until June 2027, our liquidity is expected to meet our ongoing cash and debt service requirements. Total interest-bearing debt of \$7.07 billion and \$5.69 billion was outstanding at June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, respectively.

In May 2025, Ball issued €850 million of 4.25% senior notes due in 2032, and repaid a portion of the U.S. dollar revolving credit facility due in 2027 in the amount of \$500 million, as well as the outstanding multi-currency revolving credit facility due in 2027 of \$200 million.

The company's senior credit facilities include a \$1.35 billion term loan and long-term, multi-currency revolving facilities that mature in June 2027, which provide the company with up to the U.S. dollar equivalent of \$1.75 billion. At June 30, 2025, approximately \$1.36 billion was available under the company's long-term, multi-currency committed revolving credit facilities. The company also had approximately \$1.03 billion of short-term uncommitted credit facilities available at June 30, 2025, of which \$101 million was outstanding and due on demand. At December 31, 2024, the company had \$109 million of committed short-term loans outstanding, a \$24 million short-term finance lease outstanding and \$37 million outstanding under short-term uncommitted credit facilities.

While ongoing financial and economic conditions in certain areas may raise concerns about credit risk with counterparties to derivative transactions, the company mitigates its exposure by allocating the risk among various counterparties and limiting exposure to any one party. We also monitor the credit ratings of our suppliers, customers, lenders and counterparties on a regular basis.

We were in compliance with the leverage ratio requirement at June 30, 2025, and for all prior periods presented, and have met all debt payment obligations. The U.S. note agreements and bank credit agreement contain certain restrictions relating to dividend payments, share repurchases, investments, financial ratios, guarantees and the incurrence of additional indebtedness. The most restrictive of our debt covenants requires us to maintain a leverage ratio (as defined) of no greater than 5.0 times, which will change to 4.5 times as of September 30, 2025. As of June 30, 2025, the company could borrow an additional \$2.07 billion under its long-term multi-currency committed revolving facilities and short-term uncommitted credit facilities. Additional details about our debt are available in [Note 15](#) accompanying the consolidated financial statements within [Item 1](#) of this report. In 2024 and 2025, we entered into and designated net investment hedges against the net assets of our euro denominated operations. See [Note 20](#) for further details.

Saudi Arabia

In November 2024, the company entered into an agreement to sell 41 percent of its share in Ball United Arab Can Manufacturing Company, which will trigger deconsolidation upon closing of the transaction. See [Note 4](#) for further details.

CONTINGENCIES, INDEMNIFICATIONS AND GUARANTEES

Details of the company's contingencies, legal proceedings, indemnifications and guarantees are available in [Note 21](#) and [Note 22](#) accompanying the consolidated financial statements within [Item 1](#) of this report. The company is routinely subject to litigation incidental to operating its businesses and has been designated by various federal, state, and international environmental agencies as a potentially responsible party, along with numerous other companies, for the clean-up of several hazardous waste sites.

Guaranteed Securities

The company's senior notes are guaranteed on a full and unconditional, joint and several basis by the issuer of the company's senior notes and the subsidiaries that guarantee the notes (the obligor group). The entities that comprise the obligor group are 100 percent owned by the company. As described in the supplemental indentures governing the company's existing senior notes, the senior notes are guaranteed by any of the company's domestic subsidiaries that guarantee any other indebtedness of the company.

The following summarized financial information relates to the obligor group as of June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024. Intercompany transactions, equity investments and other intercompany activity between obligor group subsidiaries have been eliminated from the summarized financial information. Investments in subsidiaries not forming part of the obligor group have also been eliminated.

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(\$ in millions)	Six Months Ended June 30, 2025	Year Ended December 31, 2024
Net sales	\$ 3,612	\$ 6,708
Gross profit (a)	442	807
Net earnings	258	3,824
Net earnings attributable to Ball Corporation	258	3,824

(a) Gross profit is shown after depreciation and amortization related to cost of sales of \$89 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025, and \$189 million for the year ended December 31, 2024.

(\$ in millions)	June 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Current assets	\$ 2,279	\$ 2,144
Noncurrent assets	13,607	14,698
Current liabilities	3,026	4,096
Noncurrent liabilities	9,667	8,415

Included in the amounts disclosed in the table above, at June 30, 2025, and December 31, 2024, the obligor group held receivables due from other subsidiary companies of \$460 million and \$440 million, respectively, long-term notes receivable due from other subsidiary companies of \$9.04 billion and \$10.03 billion, respectively, payables due to other subsidiary companies of \$252 million and \$1.79 billion, respectively, and long-term notes payable due to other subsidiary companies of \$2.28 billion and \$2.20 billion, respectively.

For the six months ended June 30, 2025, and the year ended December 31, 2024, the obligor group recorded the following transactions with other subsidiary companies: sales to them of \$624 million and \$1.23 billion, respectively, net credits from them of \$32 million and \$75 million, respectively, and net interest income from them of \$159 million and \$336 million, respectively. The obligor group received dividends from other subsidiary companies of \$54 million, during the year ended December 31, 2024.

A description of the terms and conditions of the company's debt guarantees is located in [Note 22](#) of [Item 1](#) of this report.

Item 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The company employs established risk management policies and procedures which seek to reduce the company's commercial risk exposure to fluctuations in commodity prices, interest rates, currency exchange rates, net investments in foreign operations and prices of the company's common stock with regard to common share repurchases and the company's deferred compensation stock plan. However, there can be no assurance that these policies and procedures will be successful. Although the instruments utilized involve varying degrees of credit, market and interest risk, the counterparties to the agreements are expected to perform fully under the terms of the agreements. The company monitors counterparty credit risk, including lenders, on a regular basis, but Ball cannot be certain that all risks will be discerned or that its risk management policies and procedures will always be effective. Additionally, in the event of default under the company's master derivative agreements, the non-defaulting party has the option to set off any amounts owed with regard to open derivative positions. Further details are available in Item 7A within Ball's 2024 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on February 20, 2025, and in [Note 20](#) accompanying the consolidated financial statements included within [Item 1](#) of this report.

Item 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Our chief executive officer and chief financial officer participated in management's evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), as of the end of the period covered by this report and concluded that our controls and procedures were effective. There were no changes to internal controls during the company's second quarter of 2025 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report contains “forward-looking” statements concerning future events and financial performance. Words such as “expects,” “anticipates,” “estimates,” “will,” “believe,” “likely,” “continue,” “goal” and similar expressions typically identify forward looking statements, which are generally any statements other than statements of historical fact. For example, the forward-looking statements in this Form 10-Q include statements relating to our plans, expectations and intentions. Such statements are based on current expectations or views of the future and are subject to risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those expressed or implied. You should therefore not place undue reliance upon any forward-looking statements, and they should be read in conjunction with, and qualified in their entirety by, the cautionary statements referenced below. Ball undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Key factors, risks and uncertainties that could cause actual outcomes and results to be different are summarized in filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including Exhibit 99 in Ball’s Form 10-K, which are available on Ball’s website and at www.sec.gov. Additional factors that might affect: a) Ball’s packaging segments include product capacity, supply, and demand constraints and fluctuations and changes in consumption patterns; availability/cost of raw materials, equipment, and logistics; competitive packaging, pricing and substitution; changes in climate and weather and related events such as drought, wildfires, storms, hurricanes, tornadoes and floods; footprint adjustments and other manufacturing changes, including the opening and closing of facilities and lines; failure to achieve synergies, productivity improvements or cost reductions; unfavorable mandatory deposit or packaging laws; customer and supplier consolidation; power and supply chain interruptions; changes in major customer or supplier contracts or loss of a major customer or supplier; inability to pass-through increased costs; war, political instability and sanctions, including relating to the situation in Russia and Ukraine and its impact on Ball’s supply chain and its ability to operate in Europe, the Middle East and Africa regions generally; changes in foreign exchange or tax rates; and tariffs, trade actions, or other governmental actions, including business restrictions and orders affecting goods produced by Ball or in its supply chain, including imported raw materials; and b) Ball as a whole include those listed above plus: the extent to which sustainability-related opportunities arise and can be capitalized upon; changes in senior management, succession, and the ability to attract and retain skilled labor; regulatory actions or issues including those related to tax, environmental, social and governance reporting, competition, environmental, health and workplace safety, including U.S. Federal Drug Administration and other actions or public concerns affecting products filled in Ball’s containers, or chemicals or substances used in raw materials or in the manufacturing process; technological developments and innovations; the ability to manage cyber threats; litigation; strikes; disease; pandemic; labor cost changes; inflation; rates of return on assets of Ball’s defined benefit retirement plans; pension changes; uncertainties surrounding geopolitical events and governmental policies; reduced cash flow; interest rates affecting Ball’s debt; successful or unsuccessful joint ventures, acquisitions and divestitures, and their effects on Ball’s operating results and business generally.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

There were no events required to be reported under [Item 1](#) for the three months ended June 30, 2025, except as discussed in [Note 21](#) to the consolidated financial statements included within Part I, Item 1 of this report.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

There were no changes required to be reported under Item 1A for the three months ended June 30, 2025.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

The following table summarizes the company's repurchases of its common stock during the second quarter of 2025.

Purchases of Securities				
	Total Number of Shares Purchased (a)	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs (a)	Maximum Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (b)
April 1 to April 30, 2025	2,077,904	\$ 48.62	2,077,904	\$ 3,574,659,279
May 1 to May 31, 2025	1,098,462	53.72	1,098,462	3,516,154,743
June 1 to June 30, 2025				
Open market purchases	795,102	54.26	795,102	3,473,446,935
2025 ASR	3,626,473	(c)	3,626,473	3,223,446,935
Total	7,597,941		7,597,941	

(a) Includes any open market purchases (on a trade-date basis), share repurchase agreements and/or shares retained by the company to settle employee withholding tax liabilities.

(b) The company has an ongoing repurchase program for which shares are authorized from time to time by Ball's Board of Directors. On January 29, 2025, the Board approved the repurchase by the company of up to \$4.00 billion in shares of its common stock through the end of 2027. This repurchase authorization replaced all previous authorizations.

(c) In June 2025, the company entered into an accelerated share repurchase arrangement ("ASR") to purchase up to \$250 million of the company's common stock. In exchange for the advance payment of \$250 million, the financial institution committed to deliver shares immediately following the termination of the purchase period, which will end in or before September 2025. The total number of shares delivered, and the average purchase price paid per share, will be determined at the end of the purchase period based on the volume weighted-average price of the company's common stock during that period. In June 2025 3.63 million shares were delivered and retired under the 2025 ASR. The final number of shares to be delivered will be determined at the conclusion of the purchase period.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

There were no events required to be reported under Item 3 for the three months ended June 30, 2025.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

Item 5. Other Information

There were no events required to be reported under Item 5 for the three months ended June 30, 2025.

Item 6. Exhibits

- 2.1 [Stock Purchase Agreement, dated as of August 16, 2023, by and among Ball Corporation, BAE Systems, Inc., and, solely for the purposes set forth therein, BAE Systems plc. \(filed by incorporation by reference to Exhibit 2.1 of the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2024\) filed October 31, 2024.](#)
- 3(i) [Articles of Incorporation of Ball Corporation as amended, filed herewith.](#)
- 3(ii) [Bylaws of Ball Corporation as amended, filed herewith.](#)
- 10.1 [Severance Benefits Agreement, dated as of May 21, 2025, by and between Howard H. Yu and Ball Corporation.](#)
- 22 [Obligor group subsidiaries of Ball Corporation](#)
- 31.1 [Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14\(a\) or Rule 15d-14\(a\) by Daniel W. Fisher, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ball Corporation.](#)
- 31.2 [Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14\(a\) or Rule 15d-14\(a\) by Daniel J. Rabbitt, Senior Vice President and Interim Chief Financial Officer of Ball Corporation.](#)
- 32.1 [Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14\(b\) or Rule 15d-14\(b\) and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code by Daniel W. Fisher, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ball Corporation.](#)
- 32.2 [Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14\(b\) or Rule 15d-14\(b\) and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code by Daniel J. Rabbitt, Senior Vice President and Interim Chief Financial Officer of Ball Corporation.](#)
- 99 [Cautionary statement for purposes of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended.](#)
- 101.INS XBRL Instance Document - the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.
- 101.SCH Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document.
- 101.CAL Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
- 101.DEF Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definitions Linkbase Document
- 101.LAB Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
- 101.PRE Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
- 104 The cover page of the company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2025, formatted in Inline XBRL (contained in Exhibit 101), the: (i) Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Earnings, (ii) Unaudited Condensed Statement of Comprehensive Earnings (Loss), (iii) Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet, (iv) Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and (v) Notes to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Ball Corporation
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Daniel J. Rabbitt
Daniel J. Rabbitt
Senior Vice President and Interim Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 5, 2025

RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
BALL CORPORATION (THE "CORPORATION")

The exact text of the Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "Articles") is as follows:

ARTICLE I
Name

The name of the Corporation is Ball Corporation.

ARTICLE II
Purpose

The purpose for which the Corporation is formed is to engage in the transaction of any or all lawful business which may be conducted, or for which corporations may be incorporated under The Indiana General Corporation Act.

ARTICLE III
Term of Existence

The period during which the Corporation shall continue is perpetual.

ARTICLE IV
Principal Office and Resident Agent

The address of the Corporation's principal office and the address of the Corporation's registered office and the name of its registered agent at that office in Indiana, as of the filing date of the Corporation's last Biennial Report filed with the Indiana Secretary of State in accordance with Indiana Code Section 23-1-53-3, are as set forth in such report.

ARTICLE V
Amount of Capital Stock

On the close of business on May 16, 2017 (the "Effective Date"), each issued and unissued authorized share of Common Stock of the Corporation as of the close of business on the record date of May 8, 2017 is hereby the subject of a two for one stock split (the "2017 Stock Split"), changing each such share of Common Stock into two shares, to be effected as to each issued and outstanding share of Common Stock by way of a distribution of a stock dividend of one share for each share of Common Stock outstanding, and by adjusting on a two-for-one basis the number of shares of Common Stock as may be reserved for issuance; as a result, the total number of authorized shares of the capital stock of the Corporation shall be one billion, one hundred fifteen million (1,115,000,000) shares without par value.

ARTICLE VI
Terms of Capital Stock

Section A. Designation of Classes and Number of Shares of Capital Stock

1. Immediately following the 2017 Stock Split, one billion one hundred million (1,100,000,000) shares of the authorized capital stock without par value shall be known as Common Stock. The shares of Common Stock shall be identical with each other in all respects.

2. Fifteen million (15,000,000) shares of the authorized capital stock without par value shall be known as Preferred Stock. The shares of Preferred Stock may be issued in one or more series. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to determine and state the designations and the relative rights (including, if any, conversion rights, participation rights, voting rights, dividend rights, and stated, redemption and liquidation values), preferences, limitations and restrictions of each such series by the adoption of resolutions prior to the issuance of each such series authorizing the issuance of such series. All shares of Preferred Stock of the same series shall be identical with each other in all respects.

3. Five hundred and fifty thousand (550,000) shares of Preferred Stock shall be designated as "Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock" and shall have preferences, limitations, and relative voting and other rights as follows:

Section 1. Designation and Amount. The shares of such series shall be designated as "Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock" and the number of shares constituting such series shall be 550,000.

Section 2. Dividends and Distributions.

(A) Subject to the prior and superior rights of the holders of any shares of any series of preferred stock ranking prior and superior to the shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock with respect to dividends, the holders of shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors out of funds legally available for the purpose, quarterly dividends payable in cash on the last day of March, June, September and December in each year (each such date being referred to herein as a "Quarterly Dividend Payment Date"), commencing on the first Quarterly Dividend Payment Date after the first issuance of a share or fraction of a share of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, in an amount per share (rounded to the nearest cent) equal to the greater of (a) \$10.00 or (b) subject to the provision for adjustment hereinafter set forth, 1,000 times the aggregate per

share amount of all cash dividends, and 1,000 times the aggregate per share amount (payable in kind) of all non-cash dividends or other distributions other than a dividend payable in shares of Common Stock or a subdivision of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (by reclassification or otherwise), declared on the Common Stock, without par value, of the Corporation (the "Common Stock") since the immediately preceding Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, or, with respect to the first Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, since the first issuance of any share or fraction of a share of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock. In the event the Corporation shall at any time after July 26, 2006 (the "Rights Declaration Date") (i) declare any dividend on Common Stock payable in shares of Common Stock, (ii) subdivide the outstanding Common Stock, or (iii) combine the outstanding Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, then in each such case the amount to which holders of shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock were entitled immediately prior to such event under clause (b) of the preceding sentence shall be adjusted by multiplying such amount by a fraction the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock that were outstanding immediately prior to such event.

(B) The Corporation shall declare a dividend or distribution on the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock as provided in Paragraph (A) above immediately after it declares a dividend or distribution on the Common Stock (other than a dividend payable in shares of Common Stock); provided that, in the event no dividend or distribution shall have been declared on the Common Stock during the period between any Quarterly Dividend Payment Date and the next subsequent Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, a dividend of \$10.00 per share on the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock shall nevertheless be payable on such subsequent Quarterly Dividend Payment Date.

(C) Dividends shall begin to accrue and be cumulative on outstanding shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock from the Quarterly Dividend Payment Date next preceding the date of issue of such shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, unless the date of issue of such shares is prior to the record date for the first Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, in which case dividends on such shares shall begin to accrue from the date of issue of such shares, or unless the date of issue is a Quarterly Dividend Payment Date or is a date after the record date for the determination of holders of shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock entitled to receive a quarterly dividend and before such Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, in either of which events such dividends shall begin to accrue and be cumulative from such Quarterly Dividend Payment Date. Accrued but unpaid dividends shall not bear interest. Dividends paid on the shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock in an amount less than the total amount of such dividends at the time accrued and payable on such shares shall be allocated pro rata on a share-by-share basis among all such shares at the time outstanding. The Board of Directors may fix a record date for the determination of holders of shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock entitled to receive payment of a dividend or distribution declared thereon, which record date shall be no more than 30 days prior to the date fixed for the payment thereof.

Section 3. Voting Rights. The holders of shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock shall have the following voting rights:

(A) Subject to the provision for adjustment hereinafter set forth, each share of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock shall entitle the holder thereof to 1,000 votes on all matters submitted to a vote of the stockholders of the Corporation. In the event the Corporation shall at any time after the Rights Declaration Date (i) declare any dividend on Common Stock payable in shares of Common Stock, (ii) subdivide the outstanding Common Stock, or (iii) combine the outstanding Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, then in each such case the number of votes per share to which holders of shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock were entitled immediately prior to such event shall be adjusted by multiplying such number by a fraction the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock that were outstanding immediately prior to such event.

(B) Except as otherwise provided herein or by law, the holders of shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock and the holders of shares of Common Stock shall vote together as one class on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders of the Corporation.

(C) (i) If at any time dividends on any Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock shall be in arrears in an amount equal to six (6) quarterly dividends thereon, the occurrence of such contingency shall mark the beginning of a period (herein called a "default period") which shall extend until such time when all accrued and unpaid dividends for all previous quarterly dividend periods and for the current quarterly dividend period on all shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock then outstanding shall have been declared and paid or set apart for payment. During each default period, all holders of Preferred Stock (including holders of the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock) with dividends in arrears in an amount equal to six (6) quarterly dividends thereon, voting as a class, irrespective of series, shall have the right to elect two (2) directors.

(ii) During any default period, such voting right of the holders of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock may be exercised initially at a special meeting called pursuant to subparagraph (iii) of this Section 3(C) or at any annual meeting of stockholders, and thereafter at annual meetings of stockholders, provided that such voting right shall not be exercised unless the holders of ten percent (10%) in number of shares of Preferred Stock outstanding shall be present in person or by proxy. The absence of a quorum of the holders of Common Stock shall not affect the exercise by the holders of Preferred Stock of such voting right. At any meeting at which the holders of Preferred Stock shall exercise such voting right initially during an existing default period, they shall have the right, voting as a class, to elect directors to fill such vacancies, if any, in the Board of Directors as may then exist up to two (2) directors or, if such right is exercised at an annual meeting, to elect two (2) directors. If the number which may be so elected at any special meeting does not amount to the required number, the holders of the Preferred Stock shall have the right to make such increase in the number of directors as shall be necessary to permit the election by them of the required number. After the holders of the Preferred Stock shall have exercised their right to elect directors in any default period and during the continuance of such period, the number of directors shall not be increased or decreased except by vote of the holders of Preferred Stock as herein provided or pursuant to the rights of

any equity securities ranking senior to or par passu with the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock.

(iii) Unless the holders of Preferred Stock shall, during an existing default period, have previously exercised their right to elect directors, the Board of Directors may order, or any stockholder or stockholders owning in the aggregate not less than ten percent (10%) of the total number of shares of Preferred Stock outstanding, irrespective of series, may request, the calling of a special meeting of the holders of Preferred Stock, which meeting shall thereupon be called by the President, a Vice President or the Secretary of the Corporation. Notice of such meeting and of any annual meeting at which holders of Preferred Stock are entitled to vote pursuant to this Paragraph (C)(iii) shall be given to each holder of record of Preferred Stock by mailing a copy of such notice to him at his last address as the same appears on the books of the Corporation. Such meeting shall be called for a time not earlier than twenty (20) days and not later than sixty (60) days after such order or request or in default of the calling of such meeting within sixty (60) days after such order or request, such meeting may be called on similar notice by any stockholder or stockholders owning in the aggregate not less than ten percent (10%) of the total number of shares of Preferred Stock outstanding. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Paragraph (C)(iii), no such special meeting shall be called during the period within sixty (60) days immediately preceding the date fixed for the next annual meeting of the stockholders.

(iv) In any default period, the holders of Common Stock, and other classes of stock of the Corporation if applicable, shall continue to be entitled to elect the whole number of directors until the holders of Preferred Stock shall have exercised their right to elect two (2) directors voting as a class, after the exercise of which right (x) the directors so elected by the holders of Preferred Stock shall continue in office until their successors shall have been elected by such holders or until the expiration of the default period, and (y) any vacancy in the Board of Directors may (except as provided in Paragraph (C)(ii) of this Section 3) be filled by vote of a majority of the remaining directors theretofore elected by the holders of the class of stock which elected the director whose office shall have become vacant. References in this Paragraph (C) to directors elected by the holders of a particular class of stock shall include directors elected by such directors to fill vacancies as provided in clause (y) of the foregoing sentence.

(v) Immediately upon the expiration of a default period, (x) the right of the holders of Preferred Stock as a class to elect directors shall cease, (y) the term of any directors elected by the holders of Preferred Stock as a class shall terminate, and (z) the number of directors shall be such number as may be provided for in the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws irrespective of any increase made pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph (C)(ii) of this Section 3 (such number being subject, however, to change thereafter in any manner provided by law or in the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws). Any vacancies in the Board of Directors effected by the provisions of clauses (y) and (z) in the preceding sentence may be filled by a majority of the remaining directors.

(D) Except as set forth herein, holders of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock shall have no special voting rights and their consent shall not be required (except

to the extent they are entitled to vote with holders of Common Stock as set forth herein) for taking any corporate action.

Section 4. Certain Restriction.

(A) Whenever quarterly dividends or other dividends or distributions payable on the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock as provided in Section 2 are in arrears, thereafter and until all accrued and unpaid dividends and distributions, whether or not declared, on shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock outstanding shall have been paid in full, the Corporation shall not:

(i) declare or pay dividends on, make any other distributions on, or redeem or purchase or otherwise acquire for consideration any shares of stock ranking junior (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) to the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock;

(ii) declare or pay dividends on or make any other distributions on any shares of stock ranking on a parity (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) with the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, except dividends paid ratably on the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock and all such parity stock on which dividends are payable or in arrears in proportion to the total amounts to which the holders of all such shares are then entitled;

(iii) redeem or purchase or otherwise acquire for consideration shares of any stock ranking on a parity (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) with the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, provided that the Corporation may at any time redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire shares of any such parity stock in exchange for shares of any stock of the Corporation ranking junior (either as to dividends or upon dissolution, liquidation or winding up) to the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock; or

(iv) purchase or otherwise acquire for consideration any shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, or any shares of stock ranking on a parity with the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, except in accordance with a purchase offer made in writing or by publication (as determined by the Board of Directors) to all holders of such shares upon such terms as the Board of Directors, after consideration of the respective annual dividend rates and other relative rights and preferences of the respective series and classes, shall determine in good faith will result in fair and equitable treatment among the respective series or classes.

(B) The Corporation shall not permit any subsidiary of the Corporation to purchase or otherwise acquire for consideration any shares of stock of the Corporation unless the Corporation could, under Paragraph (A) of this Section 4, purchase or otherwise acquire such shares at such time and in such manner.

Section 5. Reacquired Shares. Any shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock purchased or otherwise acquired by the Corporation in any manner whatsoever shall be retired and cancelled promptly after the acquisition thereof. All such shares shall upon their cancellation become

authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock and may be reissued as part of a new series of Preferred Stock to be created by resolution or resolutions of the Board of Directors, subject to the conditions and restrictions on issuance set forth herein.

Section 6. Liquidation, Dissolution or Winding Up.

(A) Upon any liquidation (voluntary or otherwise), dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, no distribution shall be made to the holders of shares of stock ranking junior (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) to the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock unless, prior thereto, the holders of shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock shall have received an amount equal to \$1,000 per share of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, plus an amount equal to accrued and unpaid dividends and distributions thereon, whether or not declared, to the date of such payment (the "Series A Liquidation Preference"). Following the payment of the full amount of the Series A Liquidation Preference, no additional distributions shall be made to the holders of shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock unless, prior thereto, the holders of shares of Common Stock shall have received an amount per share (the "Common Adjustment") equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the Series A Liquidation Preference by (ii) 1,000 (as appropriately adjusted as set forth in subparagraph (C) below to reflect such events as stock splits, stock dividends and recapitalizations with respect to the Common Stock) (such number in clause (ii), the "Adjustment Number"). Following the payment of the full amount of the Series A Liquidation Preference and the Common Adjustment in respect of all outstanding shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock and Common Stock, respectively, holders of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock and holders of shares of Common Stock shall receive their ratable and proportionate share of the remaining assets to be distributed in the ratio of the Adjustment Number to 1 with respect to such Preferred Stock and Common Stock, on a per share basis, respectively.

(B) In the event, however, that there are not sufficient assets available to permit payment in full of the Series A Liquidation Preference and the liquidation preferences of all other series of preferred stock, if any, which rank on a parity with the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, then such remaining assets shall be distributed ratably to the holders of such parity shares in proportion to their respective liquidation preferences. In the event, however, that there are not sufficient assets available to permit payment in full of the Common Adjustment, then such remaining assets shall be distributed ratably to the holders of Common Stock.

(C) In the event the Corporation shall at any time after the Rights Declaration Date (i) declare any dividend on Common Stock payable in shares of Common Stock, (ii) subdivide the outstanding Common Stock, or (iii) combine the outstanding Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, then in each such case the Adjustment Number in effect immediately prior to such event shall be adjusted by multiplying such Adjustment Number by a fraction the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock that were outstanding immediately prior to such event.

Section 7. Consolidation, Merger, etc. In case the Corporation shall enter into any consolidation, merger, combination or other transaction in which the shares of Common Stock are exchanged for or changed into other stock or securities, cash and/or any other property, then in any such case the shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock shall at the same time be similarly exchanged or changed in an amount per share (subject to the provision for adjustment hereinafter set forth) equal to 1,000 times the aggregate amount of stock, securities, cash and/or any other property (payable in kind), as the case may be, into which or for which each share of Common Stock is changed or exchanged. In the event the Corporation shall at any time after the Rights Declaration Date (i) declare any dividend on Common Stock payable in shares of Common Stock, (ii) subdivide the outstanding Common Stock, or (iii) combine the outstanding Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, then in each such case the amount set forth in the preceding sentence with respect to the exchange or change of shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock shall be adjusted by multiplying such amount by a fraction the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock that were outstanding immediately prior to such event.

Section 8. No Redemption. The shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock shall be redeemable at a price equal to the product of (a) the current market price of the Common Stock and (b) the Adjustment Number.

Section 9. Ranking. The Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock shall rank junior to all other series of the Corporation's Preferred Stock which may be issued from time to time as to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets, unless the terms of any such series shall provide otherwise.

Section 10. Amendment. At any time when any shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock are outstanding, neither the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation nor these Preferences and Rights of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock shall be amended in any manner which would materially alter or change the powers, preferences or special rights of the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock so as to affect them adversely without the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority or more of the outstanding shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, voting separately as a class.

Section 11. Fractional Shares. Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock may be issued in fractions of a share which shall entitle the holder, in proportion to such holder's fractional shares, to exercise voting rights, receive dividends, participate in distributions and to have the benefit of all other rights of holders of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock.

4. Two million one hundred thousand (2,100,000) shares of Preferred Stock shall be designated as "Series B ESOP Convertible Preferred Stock" and shall have preferences, limitations, and relative voting and other rights as follows:

Section 1. Designation and Amount; Special Purpose Restricted Transfer Issue.

(A) The shares of such series shall be designated "Series B ESOP Convertible Preferred Stock" (such series being hereinafter sometimes called the "Series B Preferred Stock"),

and the number of shares constituting such series shall initially be 2,100,000. Each share of Series B Preferred Stock shall have a stated value of \$36.75.

(B) Shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be issued only to Mellon Bank, N.A., as trustee (the "Trustee") of the Ball Corporation Salary Conversion Plan for Salaried Employees, as amended from time to time, or any successor to such plan (the "Plan"), including the employee stock ownership plan component of the Plan (the "ESOP"). All references to the holder of the Series B Preferred Stock shall mean the Trustee or any corporation with which or into which the Trustee may merge or any successor trustee under the trust agreement with respect to the Plan. In the event of any transfer of record ownership of shares of Series B Preferred Stock to any person other than any successor trustee under the Plan, the shares of Series B Preferred Stock so transferred, upon such transfer and without any further action by the Corporation or the holder thereof, shall be automatically converted into shares of Common Stock (as defined in paragraph (B) of Section 11 hereof) on the terms otherwise provided for the conversion of shares of Series B Preferred Stock into shares of Common Stock pursuant to Section 5 hereof and no such transferee shall have any of the voting powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional or special rights ascribed to shares of Series B Preferred Stock hereunder but, rather, only the powers and rights pertaining to the Common Stock into which such shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be so converted. In the event of such a conversion, the transferee of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be treated for all purposes as the record holder of the shares of Common Stock into which such shares of Series B Preferred Stock have been automatically converted as of the date of such transfer. Certificates representing shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall bear a legend to reflect the foregoing provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this paragraph (B) of Section 1, shares of Series B Preferred Stock (i) may be converted into shares of Common Stock as provided by Section 5 hereof and the shares of Common Stock issued upon such conversion may be transferred by the holder thereof as permitted by law and (ii) shall be redeemable by the Corporation upon the terms and conditions provided by Sections 6, 7 and 8 hereof.

Section 2. Dividends and Distributions.

(A) Subject to the provisions for adjustment hereinafter set forth, the holders of shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board of Directors") out of funds legally available therefor, cash dividends ("Preferred Dividends") at the rate of \$2.76 per share per annum, payable semiannually in arrears, one-half on the 15th day of December and one-half on the 15th day of June of each year (each a "Dividend Payment Date") commencing on December 15, 1989, to holders of record at the start of business on such Dividend Payment Date. In the event that any Dividend Payment Date shall fall on any day other than a "Business Day" (as defined in paragraph (G) of Section 9 hereof), the dividend payment due on such Dividend Payment Date shall be paid on the Business Day immediately following such Dividend Payment Date. Preferred Dividends shall begin to accrue on outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock from the date of issuance of such shares of Series B Preferred Stock. Preferred Dividends shall accrue on a daily basis whether or not during such semiannual period there shall be funds legally available therefor, but Preferred Dividends accrued on the shares of Series B Preferred Stock for any period less than a full

semiannual period between Dividend Payment Dates (or, in the case of the first dividend payment, from the date of issuance of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock through the first Dividend Payment Date) shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of 30-day months. Accrued but unpaid Preferred Dividends shall cumulate as of the Dividend Payment Date on which they first become payable, but no interest shall accrue on accumulated but unpaid Preferred Dividends.

(B) So long as any shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be outstanding, no dividend shall be declared or paid or set apart for payment on any other series of stock ranking on a parity with the Series B Preferred Stock as to dividends, unless there shall also be or have been declared and paid or set apart for payment on the Series B Preferred Stock dividends for all dividend payment periods of the Series B Preferred Stock ending on or before the dividend payment date of such parity stock, ratably in proportion to the respective amounts of dividends accumulated and unpaid through such dividend period on the Series B Preferred Stock and accumulated and unpaid on such parity stock through the dividend payment period on such parity stock next preceding such dividend payment date. In the event that full cumulative dividends on the Series B Preferred Stock have not been declared and paid or set apart for payment when due, the Corporation shall not declare or pay or set apart for payment any dividends or make any other distributions on, or make any payment on account of the purchase, redemption or other retirement of any other class of stock or series thereof of the Corporation ranking, as to dividends or as to distributions in the event of a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, junior to the Series B Preferred Stock until full cumulative dividends on the Series B Preferred Stock shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment; *provided, however*, that the foregoing shall not apply to (i) any dividend payable solely in any shares of any stock ranking, as to dividends and as to distributions in the event of a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, junior to the Series B Preferred Stock or (ii) the acquisition of shares of any stock ranking, as to dividends or as to distributions in the event of a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, junior to the Series B Preferred Stock in exchange solely for shares of any other stock ranking, as to dividends and as to distributions in the event of a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, junior to the Series B Preferred Stock.

Section 3. Voting Rights.

The holders of shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall have the following voting rights:

(A) The holders of shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to vote on all matters submitted to a vote of the shareholders of the Corporation, voting together with the holders of Common Stock as one class. The holders of shares of Series B Preferred Stock initially shall be entitled to 1.30 votes per share (the "Initial Vote"), *provided* in the event of a "Regulatory Determination", as defined below, with respect to the Initial Vote, the Initial Vote shall be reduced to one vote per share. In the event that the "Conversion Price", as defined in Section 5 hereof, is adjusted as provided in Subsection 9(A) or (B) hereof, each share of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to a vote equal to the vote to which it was entitled immediately prior to such adjustment, multiplied by the inverse of the fraction by which the Conversion Price is to be multiplied pursuant to such subsection, subject to a Regulatory Determination. In the event of any

other adjustment to the Conversion Price hereunder, each share of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to a number of votes equal to the higher of (i) the number of shares of Common Stock into which such share of Series B Preferred Stock could be converted subsequent to such adjustment and (ii) the number of votes to which it was entitled immediately prior to such adjustment, subject to a Regulatory Determination. In the event of a Regulatory Determination with respect to the voting rights of a share of Series B Preferred Stock as adjusted pursuant to the preceding two sentences, the number of votes per share of Series B Preferred Stock shall only be adjusted to the highest vote per share which would not result in a Regulatory Determination. The term "Regulatory Determination" refers to a determination by the Corporation that the number of votes to be accorded to each share of Series B Preferred Stock hereunder would create a material risk that the Common Stock would no longer be eligible for trading on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") or otherwise not be permitted by applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission or the NYSE.

(B) Except as otherwise required by law or set forth herein, holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall have no special voting rights and their consent shall not be required (except to the extent they are entitled to vote with holders of Common Stock as set forth herein) for the taking of any corporate action.

Section 4. Liquidation, Dissolution or Winding Up.

(A) In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, voluntary or involuntary, the holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive out of assets of the Corporation which remain after satisfaction in full of all valid claims of creditors of the Corporation and which are available for payment to shareholders, and subject to the rights of the holders of any stock of the Corporation ranking senior to or on a parity with the Series B Preferred Stock in respect of distributions upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, before any amount shall be paid to or distributed among the holders of Common Stock or any other shares ranking junior to the Series B Preferred Stock in respect of distributions upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, liquidating distributions in the amount of \$36.75 per share, plus an amount equal to all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for distribution, and no more. If upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the amounts payable with respect to the Series B Preferred Stock and any other stock ranking as to any such distribution on a parity with the Series B Preferred Stock are not paid in full, the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and such other stock shall share ratably in any distribution of assets in proportion to the full respective preferential amounts to which they are entitled. After payment of the full amount to which they are entitled as provided by the foregoing provisions of this paragraph 4(A), the holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any further right or claim to any of the remaining assets of the Corporation.

(B) Neither the merger or consolidation of the Corporation with or into any other corporation, nor the merger or consolidation of any other corporation with or into the Corporation, nor the sale, lease, exchange or other transfer of all or any portion of the assets of the Corporation, shall be deemed to be a dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation for purposes of this Section 4. but the holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall

nevertheless be entitled in the event of any such merger or consolidation to the rights provided by Section 8 hereof.

(C) Written notice of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, stating the payment date or dates when, and the place or places where, the amounts distributable to holders of Series B Preferred Stock in such circumstances shall be payable, shall be given by hand delivery, by courier, by standard form of telecommunication or by first-class mail (postage prepaid), delivered, sent or mailed, as the case may be, not less than twenty (20) days prior to any payment date stated therein, to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock, at the address shown on the books of the Corporation or any transfer agent for the Series B Preferred Stock.

Section 5. Conversion into Common Stock.

(A) A holder of shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled, at any time prior to the close of business on the date fixed for redemption of such shares pursuant to Section 6, 7 or 8 hereof, to cause any or all of such shares to be converted into shares of Common Stock, initially at a conversion price equal to \$36.75 per share of Common Stock, with each share of Series B Preferred Stock being valued at \$36.75 for such purpose, and which price shall be adjusted as provided in Section 9 hereof (and, as so adjusted, is hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Conversion Price") (that is, a conversion rate initially equivalent to one share of Common Stock for each share of Series B Preferred Stock so converted, subject to adjustment as the Conversion Price is adjusted as provided in Section 9 hereof).

(B) Any holder of shares of Series B Preferred Stock desiring to convert such shares into shares of Common Stock shall surrender the certificate or certificates representing the shares of Series B Preferred Stock being converted, duly assigned or endorsed for transfer to the Corporation (or accompanied by duly executed stock powers relating thereto), at the principal executive office of the Corporation or the offices of any transfer agent for the Series B Preferred Stock or such office or offices in the continental United States of an agent for conversion as may from time to time be designated by notice to the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock by the Corporation or any transfer agent for the Series B Preferred Stock, accompanied by written notice of conversion. Such notice of conversion shall specify (i) the number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock to be converted and the name or names in which such holder wishes the certificate or certificates for Common Stock and for any shares of Series B Preferred Stock not to be so converted to be issued and (ii) the address to which such holder wishes new certificates issued upon such conversion to be delivered.

(C) Upon surrender of a certificate representing a share or shares of Series B Preferred Stock for conversion, the Corporation shall issue and send by hand delivery, by courier or by first-class mail (postage prepaid), to the holder thereof or to such holder's designee, at the address designated by such holder, a certificate or certificates for the number of shares of Common Stock to which such holder shall be entitled upon conversion. In the event that there shall have been surrendered a certificate or certificates representing shares of Series B Preferred Stock, only part of which are to be converted, the Corporation shall issue and send to such holder

or such holder's designee, in the manner set forth in the preceding sentence, a new certificate or certificates representing the number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock which shall not have been converted.

(D) The issuance by the Corporation of shares of Common Stock upon a conversion of shares of Series B Preferred Stock into shares of Common Stock made at the option of the holder thereof shall be effective as of the earlier of (i) the delivery to such holder or such holder's designee of the certificates representing the shares of Common Stock issued upon conversion thereof or (ii) the commencement of business on the second Business Day after the surrender of the certificate or certificates for the shares of Series B Preferred Stock to be converted, duly assigned or endorsed for transfer to the Corporation (or accompanied by duly executed stock powers relating thereto) and accompanied by all documentation required to effect the conversion, as herein provided. On and after the effective date of conversion, the person or persons entitled to receive the Common Stock issuable upon such conversion shall be treated for all purposes as the record holder or holders of such shares of Common Stock, but no allowance or adjustment shall be made in respect of dividends payable to holders of Common Stock in respect of any period prior to such effective date. The Corporation shall not be obligated to pay any dividends which shall have been declared and shall be payable to holders of shares of Series B Preferred Stock on a Dividend Payment Date if such Dividend Payment Date for such dividend is subsequent to the effective date of conversion of such shares.

(E) The Corporation shall not be obligated to deliver to holders of Series B Preferred Stock any fractional share or shares of Common Stock issuable upon any conversion of such shares of Series B Preferred Stock, but in lieu thereof may make a cash payment in respect thereof in any manner permitted by law.

(F) Out of its authorized Common Stock the Corporation shall at all times reserve and keep available unissued or treasury shares solely for issuance upon the conversion of shares of Series B Preferred Stock as herein provided, free from any preemptive rights, in such number as shall from time to time be issuable upon the conversion of all the shares of Series B Preferred Stock then outstanding. Nothing contained herein shall preclude the Corporation from issuing shares of Common Stock held in its treasury upon the conversion of shares of Series B Preferred Stock into Common Stock pursuant to the terms hereof. The Corporation shall prepare and shall use its best efforts to obtain and keep in force such governmental or regulatory permits or other authorizations as may be required by law, and shall comply with all requirements as to registration or qualification of the Common Stock, in order to enable the Corporation lawfully to issue and deliver to each holder of record of Series B Preferred Stock such number of shares of its Common Stock as shall from time to time be sufficient to effect the conversion of all shares of Series B Preferred Stock then outstanding and convertible into shares of Common Stock.

Section 6. Redemption At the Option of the Corporation.

(A) The Series B Preferred Stock shall be redeemable, in whole or in part, (i) at the option of the Corporation at any time after June 29, 1999, at \$36.75 per share, plus an amount equal to all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for redemption and

(ii) as otherwise permitted by this Section 6. Payment of the redemption price shall be made by the Corporation in cash or shares of Common Stock, or a combination thereof, as permitted by paragraph (F) of this Section 6. From and after the date fixed for redemption, dividends on shares of Series B Preferred Stock called for redemption will cease to accrue, such shares of Series B Preferred Stock will no longer be deemed to be outstanding and all rights in respect of such shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall cease, except the right to receive the redemption price. If less than all of the outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the Corporation shall either redeem a portion of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock of each holder determined pro rata based on the number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock held by each holder or shall select the shares of Series B Preferred Stock to be redeemed by lot, as may be determined by the Board of Directors.

(B) Unless otherwise required by law, notice of redemption will be sent to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock at the address shown on the books of the Corporation or any transfer agent for the Series B Preferred Stock by hand delivery, by courier, by any standard form of telecommunications or by first-class mail (postage prepaid), delivered, sent or mailed, as the case may be, not less than fifteen (15) days nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the redemption date. Each such notice shall state: (i) the redemption date; (ii) the total number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock to be redeemed and, if fewer than all the shares held by such holder are to be redeemed, the number of such shares of Series B Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder; (iii) the redemption price; (iv) the place or places where certificates for such shares of Series B Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price; (v) that dividends on the shares of Series B Preferred Stock to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such redemption date; and (vi) the conversion rights of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock to be redeemed, the period within which conversion rights may be exercised, and the Conversion Price and number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of a share of Series B Preferred Stock at the time. Upon surrender of the certificate for any shares of Series B Preferred Stock so called for redemption and not previously converted (properly endorsed or assigned for transfer, if the Board of Directors shall so require and the notice shall so state), such shares shall be redeemed by the Corporation at the date fixed for redemption and at the redemption price set forth in this Section 6.

(C) In the event (i) of a change in any statute, rule or regulation of the United States of America which (x) has the effect of limiting or making unavailable to the Corporation all or any of the tax deductions for amounts paid (including dividends) on the shares of Series B Preferred Stock when such amounts are used as provided under Section 404(k)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and in effect on the date shares of Series B Preferred Stock are initially issued, or (y) relates, directly or indirectly, to the ESOP and adversely affects the Corporation, (ii) that shares of Series B Preferred Stock are held by an employee benefit plan intended to qualify as an employee stock ownership plan within the meaning of Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and such plan does not so qualify, or (iii) that the Corporation, in good faith after consultation with counsel to the Corporation, determines that the voting provisions contained herein are not in compliance with Rule 19c-4 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Corporation may, in its sole discretion and notwithstanding anything to the

contrary in paragraph (A) of this Section 6, elect to redeem any or all of such shares of Series B Preferred Stock for \$36.75 per share, plus an amount equal to all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for redemption. Except with respect to the redemption price, such redemption shall be effected as provided in paragraphs (A), (B) and (F) of this Section 6.

(D) In the event that the Plan is terminated or the ESOP is terminated or eliminated from the Plan in accordance with its terms, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in paragraph (A) of this Section 6, the Corporation shall, as soon thereafter as practicable, call for redemption all then outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock at the following redemption prices per share:

During the Twelve-

Month Period

Beginning June 29

**Price Per
Share**

1989	\$39.510
1990	39.234
1991	38.958
1992	38.682
1993	38.406
1994	38.130
1995	37.854
1996	37.578
1997	37.302
1998	37.026

Except with respect to the redemption price, such redemption shall be effected as provided in paragraphs (A), (B) and (F) of this Section 6.

(E) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in paragraph (A) of this Section 6, upon the termination of a Plan participant's employment with the Corporation, the Corporation may elect to redeem any or all shares of Series B Preferred Stock held for the account of such participant at a redemption price equal to the higher of (i) \$36.75 per share, plus an amount equal to all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for redemption or (ii) the Fair Market Value (as defined in paragraph (G) of Section 9 hereof) of the shares of Common Stock which would be issuable upon the conversion of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock being redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid dividends (the "Consideration Price"). Except with respect to the redemption price, such redemption shall be effected as provided in paragraphs (A), (B) and (F) of this Section 6.

(F) The Corporation, at its option, may make payment of the redemption price required upon redemption of shares of Series B Preferred Stock in cash or in shares of Common Stock, or in a combination of such shares and cash, any such shares of Common Stock to be valued for such purposes at their Fair Market Value.

Section 7. Other Redemption Rights.

Shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be redeemed by the Corporation for cash or, if the Corporation so elects, in shares of Common Stock, or a combination of such shares of Common Stock and cash, any such shares of Common Stock to be valued for such purpose at their Fair Market Value, at a redemption price equal to the higher of (i) \$36.75 per share plus accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for redemption or (ii) the Consideration Price, at the option of the holder, at any time and from time to time upon notice to the Corporation given not less than five (5) Business Days prior to the date fixed by the holder in such notice for such redemption, upon certification by such holder to the Corporation: (i) when and to the extent necessary for such holder to provide for distributions required to be made to participants under, or to satisfy an investment election provided to participants in accordance with, the Plan; or (ii) in the event that the Plan is not initially determined by the Internal Revenue Service to be qualified within the meaning of §401(a) and 4975(e)(7) of the Code.

Section 8. Consolidation, Merger, etc.

(A) In the event that the Corporation shall consummate any consolidation or merger or similar business combination, pursuant to which the outstanding shares of Common Stock are by operation of law exchanged solely for or changed, reclassified or converted solely into stock of any successor or resulting corporation (including the Corporation) that constitutes “qualifying employer securities” with respect to a holder of Series B Preferred Stock within the meaning of Section 409(1) of the Code and Section 407(d)(5) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, or any successor provisions of law, and, if applicable, for a cash payment in lieu of fractional shares, if any, the shares of Series B Preferred Stock of such holder shall, in connection with such consolidation, merger or similar business combination, be assumed by and shall become preferred stock of such successor or resulting corporation, having in respect of such corporation, insofar as possible, the same powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights (including the redemption rights provided by Sections 6, 7 and 8 hereof), and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereon, that the Series B Preferred Stock had immediately prior to such transaction, except that after such transaction each share of Series B Preferred Stock shall be convertible, otherwise on the terms and conditions provided by Section 5 hereof, into the number and kind of qualifying employer securities so receivable by a holder of the number of shares of Common Stock into which such shares of Series B Preferred Stock could have been converted immediately prior to such transaction; *provided, however*, that if by virtue of the structure of such transaction, a holder of Common Stock is required to make an election with respect to the nature and kind of consideration to be received in such transaction, which election cannot practicably be made by the holder of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock, then the shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall, by virtue of such transaction and on the same terms as apply to the holders of Common Stock, be converted into or exchanged for the aggregate amount of stock, securities, cash or other property (payable in kind) receivable by a holder of the number of shares of Common Stock into which such shares of Series B Preferred Stock could have been converted immediately prior to such transaction if such holder of Common Stock failed to exercise any rights of election to receive any kind or amount of stock, securities, cash or other property (other than such qualifying employer securities and a cash payment, if applicable, in lieu of fractional shares),

receivable upon such transaction (provided that, if the kind or amount of qualifying employer securities receivable upon such transaction is not the same for each non-electing share, then the kind and amount so receivable upon such transaction for each non-electing share shall be the kind and amount so receivable per share by the plurality of the non-electing shares). The rights of the Series B Preferred Stock as preferred stock of such successor or resulting corporation shall successively be subject to adjustments pursuant to Sections 3 and 9 hereof after any such transaction as nearly equivalent as practicable to the adjustment provided for by such sections prior to such transaction. The Corporation shall not consummate any such merger, consolidation or similar transaction unless all then outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be assumed and authorized by the successor or resulting corporation as aforesaid.

(B) In the event that the Corporation shall consummate any consolidation or merger or similar business combination, pursuant to which the outstanding shares of Common Stock are by operation of law exchanged for or changed, reclassified or converted into other stock or securities or cash or any other property, or any combination thereof, other than any such consideration which is constituted solely of qualifying employer securities (as referred to in paragraph (A) of this Section 8) and cash payments, if applicable, in lieu of fractional shares, outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall, without any action on the part of the Corporation or any holder thereof (but subject to paragraph (C) of this Section 8), be automatically converted by virtue of such merger, consolidation or similar transaction immediately prior to such consummation into the number of shares of Common Stock into which such shares of Series B Preferred Stock could have been converted at such time so that each share of Series B Preferred Stock shall by virtue of such transaction and on the same terms as apply to the holders of Common Stock, be converted into or exchanged for the aggregate amount of stock, securities, cash or other property (payable in like kind) receivable by a holder of the number of shares of Common Stock into which such shares of Series B Preferred Stock could have been converted immediately prior to such transaction; *provided, however*, that if by virtue of the structure of such transaction, a holder of Common Stock is required to make an election with respect to the nature and kind of consideration to be received in such transaction, which election cannot practicably be made by the holder of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock, then the shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall, by virtue of such transaction and on the same terms as apply to the holders of Common Stock, be converted into or exchanged for the aggregate amount of stock, securities, cash or other property (payable in kind) receivable by a holder of the number of shares of Common Stock into which such shares of Series B Preferred Stock could have been converted immediately prior to such transaction if such holder of Common Stock failed to exercise any rights of election as to the kind or amount of stock, securities, cash or other property receivable upon such transaction (provided that, if the kind or amount of stock, securities, cash or other property receivable upon such transaction is not the same for each non-electing share, then the kind and amount of stock, securities, cash or other property receivable upon such transaction for each non-electing share shall be the kind and amount so receivable per share by a plurality of the non-electing shares).

(C) In the event the Corporation shall enter into any agreement providing for any consolidation or merger or similar business combination described in paragraph (B) of this Section 8, then the Corporation shall as soon as practicable thereafter (and in any event at least ten (10) Business Days before consummation of such transaction) give notice of such agreement

and the material terms thereof to each holder of shares of Series B Preferred Stock and each such holder shall have the right to elect, by written notice to the Corporation, to receive, upon consummation of such transaction (if and when such transaction is consummated), from the Corporation or the successor of the Corporation, in redemption and retirement of such Series B Preferred Stock, a cash payment equal to the following amount per share:

During the Twelve- Month Period Beginning June 29	Price Per Share
1989	\$39.510
1990	39.234
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No such notice of redemption shall be effective unless given to the Corporation prior to the close of business on the fifth Business Day prior to consummation of such transaction, unless the Corporation or the successor of the Corporation shall waive such prior notice, but any notice of redemption so given prior to such time may be withdrawn by notice of withdrawal given to the Corporation prior to the close of business on the fifth business day prior to consummation of such transaction.

Section 9. Anti-dilution Adjustments.

(A) In the event the Corporation shall, at any time or from time to time while any of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding, (i) pay a dividend or make a distribution in respect of the Common Stock in shares of Common Stock, (ii) subdivide the outstanding shares of Common Stock, or (iii) combine the outstanding shares of Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, in each case whether by reclassification of shares, recapitalization of the Corporation (including a recapitalization effected by a merger or consolidation to which Section 8 hereof does not apply) or otherwise, subject to the provisions of paragraphs (E) and (F) of this Section 9, the Conversion Price in effect immediately prior to such action shall be adjusted by multiplying such Conversion Price by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately before such event, and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event. An adjustment made pursuant to this paragraph 9(A) shall be given effect, upon payment of such a dividend or distribution, as of the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to receive such dividend or distribution (on a retroactive basis) and in the case of a subdivision or combination shall become effective immediately as of the effective date thereof.

(B) In the event that the Corporation shall, at any time or from time to time while any of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding, issue to holders of shares of Common Stock as a dividend or distribution, including by way of a reclassification of shares or a recapitalization of the Corporation, any right or warrant to purchase shares of Common Stock (but not including as such a right or warrant any security convertible into or exchangeable for shares of Common Stock) at a purchase price per share less than the Fair Market Value (as defined in paragraph (G) of this Section 9) of a share of Common Stock on the date of issuance of such right or warrant, then, subject to paragraphs (E) and (F) of this Section 9, the Conversion Price shall be adjusted by multiplying such Conversion Price by a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately before such issuance of rights or warrants plus the number of shares of Common Stock which could be purchased at the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock at the time of such issuance for the maximum aggregate consideration payable upon exercise in full of all such rights or warrants, and the denominator of which shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately before such issuance of rights or warrants plus the maximum number of shares of Common Stock that could be acquired upon exercise in full of all such rights and warrants.

(C) In the event the Corporation shall, at any time or from time to time while any of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding, issue, sell or exchange shares of Common Stock (other than pursuant to any right or warrant to purchase or acquire shares of Common Stock [including as such a right or warrant any security convertible into or exchangeable for shares of Common Stock] and other than pursuant to any employee or director incentive or benefit plan or arrangement, including any employment, severance or consulting agreement, of the Corporation or any subsidiary of the Corporation heretofore or hereafter adopted) for a consideration having a Fair Market Value, on the date of such issuance, sale or exchange, less than the Fair Market Value of such shares on the date of issuance, sale or exchange, then, subject to paragraphs (E) and (F) of this Section 9, the Conversion Price shall be adjusted by multiplying such Conversion Price by a fraction the numerator of which shall be the sum of (i) the Fair Market Value of all the shares of Common Stock outstanding on the day immediately preceding the first public announcement of such issuance, sale or exchange plus (ii) the Fair Market Value of the consideration received by the Corporation in respect of such issuance, sale or exchange of shares of Common Stock, and the denominator of which shall be the product of (a) the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the day immediately preceding the first public announcement of such issuance, sale or exchange multiplied by (b) the sum of the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding on such day plus the number of shares of Common Stock so issued, sold or exchanged by the Corporation. In the event the Corporation shall, at any time or from time to time while any shares of Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding, issue, sell or exchange any right or warrant to purchase or acquire shares of Common Stock (including as such a right or warrant any security convertible into or exchangeable for shares of Common Stock), other than any such issuance to holders of shares of Common Stock as a dividend or distribution (including by way of a reclassification of shares or a recapitalization of the Corporation) and other than pursuant to any employee or director incentive or benefit plan or arrangement (including any employment, severance or consulting agreement) of the Corporation or any subsidiary of the Corporation heretofore or hereafter adopted, for a consideration having a Fair Market Value, on the date of

such issuance, sale or exchange, less than the Non-Dilutive Amount (as hereinafter defined), then, subject to paragraphs (E) and (F) of this Section 9, the Conversion Price shall be adjusted by multiplying such Conversion Price by a fraction the numerator of which shall be the sum of (i) the Fair Market Value of all the shares of Common Stock outstanding on the day immediately preceding the first public announcement of such issuance, sale or exchange plus (ii) the Fair Market Value of the consideration received by the Corporation in respect of such issuance, sale or exchange of such right or warrant plus (iii) the Fair Market Value at the time of such issuance of the consideration which the Corporation would receive upon exercise in full of all such rights or warrants, and the denominator of which shall be the product of (i) the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the day immediately preceding the first public announcement of such issuance, sale or exchange multiplied by (ii) the sum of the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding on such day plus the maximum number of shares of Common Stock which could be acquired pursuant to such right or warrant at the time of the issuance, sale or exchange of such right or warrant (assuming shares of Common Stock could be acquired pursuant to such right or warrant at such time).

(D) In the event the Corporation shall, at any time or from time to time while any of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding, make an Extraordinary Distribution (as defined in paragraph (G) of this Section 9) in respect of the Common Stock, whether by dividend, distribution, reclassification of shares or recapitalization of the Corporation (including a recapitalization or reclassification effected by a merger or consolidation to which Section 8 hereof does not apply) or effect a Pro Rata Repurchase (as defined in paragraph (G) of this Section 9) of Common Stock, the Conversion Price in effect immediately prior to such Extraordinary Distribution or Pro Rata Repurchase shall, subject to paragraphs (E) and (F) of this Section 9, be adjusted by multiplying such Conversion Price by a fraction the numerator of which is the difference between (i) the product of (x) the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately before such Extraordinary Distribution or Pro Rata Repurchase multiplied by (y) the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the day before the ex-dividend date with respect to an Extraordinary Distribution which is paid in cash and on the distribution date with respect to an Extraordinary Distribution which is paid other than in cash, or on the applicable expiration date (including all extensions thereof) of any tender offer which is a Pro Rata Repurchase, or on the date of purchase with respect to any Pro Rata Repurchase which is not a tender offer, as the case may be, and (ii) the Fair Market Value of the Extraordinary Distribution or the aggregate purchase price of the Pro Rata Repurchase, as the case may be, and the denominator of which shall be the product of (a) the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately before such Extraordinary Dividend or Pro Rata Repurchase minus, in the case of a Pro Rata Repurchase, the number of shares of Common Stock repurchased by the Corporation multiplied by (b) the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the day before the ex-dividend date with respect to an Extraordinary Distribution which is paid in cash and on the distribution date with respect to an Extraordinary Distribution which is paid other than in cash, or on the applicable expiration date (including all extensions thereof) of any tender offer which is a Pro Rata Repurchase or on the date of purchase with respect to any Pro Rata Repurchase which is not a tender offer, as the case may be. The Corporation shall send each holder of Series B Preferred Stock (i) notice of its intent to make any dividend or distribution and (ii) notice of any offer by the Corporation to make a Pro

Rata Repurchase, in each case at the same time as, or as soon as practicable after, such offer is first communicated (including by announcement of a record date in accordance with the rules of any stock exchange on which the Common Stock is listed or admitted to trading) to holders of Common Stock; *provided*, the Corporation shall give such holders notice of any dividend or distribution no later than the date upon which it is required to give notice to any stock exchange, or in the event notice to any stock exchange is not required, no later than ten days before the applicable record date. Such notice shall indicate the intended record date and the amount and nature of such dividend or distribution, or the number of shares subject to such offer for a Pro Rata Repurchase and the purchase price payable by the Corporation pursuant to such offer, as well as the Conversion Price and the number of shares of Common Stock into which a share of Series B Preferred Stock may be converted at such time.

(E) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section 9, the Corporation shall not be required to make any adjustment to the Conversion Price unless such adjustment would require an increase or decrease of at least one percent (1%) in the Conversion Price. Any lesser adjustment shall be carried forward and shall be made no later than the time of, and together with, the next subsequent adjustment which, together with any adjustment or adjustments so carried forward, shall amount to an increase or decrease of at least one percent (1%) in the Conversion Price.

(F) If the Corporation shall make any dividend or distribution on the Common Stock or issue any Common Stock, other capital stock or other security of the Corporation or any rights or warrants to purchase or acquire any such security, which transaction does not result in an adjustment to the Conversion Price pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section 9, the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall consider whether such action is of such a nature that an adjustment to the Conversion Price should equitably be made in respect of such transaction. If in such case the Board of Directors of the Corporation determines that an adjustment to the Conversion Price should be made, an adjustment shall be made effective as of such date, as determined by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. The determination of the Board of Directors of the Corporation as to whether an adjustment to the Conversion Price should be made pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this paragraph (F), and, if so, as to what adjustment should be made and when, shall be final and binding on the Corporation and all shareholders of the Corporation. The Corporation shall be entitled to make such additional adjustments in the Conversion Price, in addition to those required by the foregoing provisions of this Section 9, as shall be necessary in order that any dividend or distribution in shares of capital stock of the Corporation, subdivision, reclassification or combination of shares of stock of the Corporation or any recapitalization of the Corporation shall not be taxable to the holders of the Common Stock.

(G) For purposes of these Articles, the following definitions shall apply:

“Business Day” shall mean each day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which state or federally chartered banking institutions in New York, New York, are not required to be open.

“Current Market Price” of publicly traded shares of Common Stock or any other class of capital stock or other security of the Corporation or any other issuer for any day shall mean the last reported sales price, regular way, or, in the event that no sale takes place on such day, the average of the reported closing bid and asked prices, regular way, in either case as reported on the New York Stock Exchange Composite Tape or, if such security is not listed or admitted to trading on the New York Stock Exchange, on the principal national securities exchange on which such security is listed or admitted to trading or, if not listed or admitted to trading on any national securities exchange, on the National Market System of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Automated Quotation System (“NASDAQ”) or, if such security is not quoted on such National Market System, the average of the closing bid and asked prices on each such day in the over-the-counter market as reported by NASDAQ or, if bid and asked prices for such security on each such day shall not have been reported through NASDAQ, the average of the bid and asked prices for such day as furnished by any New York Stock Exchange member firm regularly making a market in such security selected for such purpose by the Board of Directors of the Corporation or a committee thereof, in each case, on each trading day during the Adjustment Period.

“Adjustment Period” shall mean the period of five (5) consecutive trading days preceding, and including, the date as of which the Fair Market Value of a security is to be determined. The “Fair Market Value” of any security which is not publicly traded or of any other property shall mean the fair value thereof as determined by an independent investment banking or appraisal firm experienced in the valuation of such securities or property selected in good faith by the Board of Directors or a committee thereof, or, if no such investment banking or appraisal firm is in the good faith judgment of the Board of Directors or such committee available to make such determination, as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors or such committee.

“Extraordinary Distribution” shall mean any dividend or other distribution to holders of Common Stock (effected while any of the shares of the Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding) (i) of cash where the aggregate amount of such cash dividend or distribution together with the amount of all cash dividends and distributions made during the preceding period of 12 months, when combined with the aggregate amount of all Pro Rata Repurchases (for this purpose, including only that portion of the aggregate purchase price of such Pro Rata Repurchase which is in excess of the Fair Market Value of the Common Stock repurchased as determined on the applicable expiration date (including all extensions thereof) of any tender offer or exchange offer which is a Pro Rata Repurchase, or the date of purchase with respect to any other Pro Rata Repurchase which is not a tender offer or exchange offer made during such period), exceeds twelve and one-half percent ($12\frac{1}{2}\%$) of the aggregate Fair Market Value of all shares of Common Stock outstanding on the day before the ex-dividend date with respect to such Extraordinary Distribution which is paid in cash and on the distribution date with respect to an Extraordinary Distribution which is paid other than in cash; *provided*, that in no event shall a regularly scheduled quarterly dividend not exceeding 125% of the average quarterly dividend for the four quarters immediately preceding such dividend constitute an Extraordinary Distribution resulting in an adjustment of the Conversion Price hereunder, and/or (ii) of any shares of capital stock of the Corporation (other than shares of Common Stock), other securities of the Corporation (other than securities of the type referred to in paragraph (B) or (C) of this Section 9), evidences of indebtedness of the Corporation or any other person or any other property (including shares of

any subsidiary of the Corporation) or any combination thereof. The Fair Market Value of an Extraordinary Distribution for purposes of paragraph (D) of this Section 9 shall be equal to the sum of the Fair Market Value of such Extraordinary Distribution plus the amount of any cash dividends (other than regularly scheduled dividends not exceeding 125% of the aggregate quarterly dividends for the preceding period of 12 months) which are not Extraordinary Distributions made during such 12-month period and not previously included in the calculation of an adjustment pursuant to paragraph (D) of this Section 9.

“Fair Market Value” shall mean, as to shares of Common Stock or any other class of capital stock or securities of the Corporation or any other issuer which are publicly traded, the average of the Current Market Prices of such shares or securities for each day of the Adjustment Period.

“Non-Dilutive Amount” in respect of any issuance, sale or exchange by the Corporation of any right or warrant to purchase or acquire shares of Common Stock (including any security convertible into or exchangeable for shares of Common Stock) shall mean the difference between (i) the product of the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the day preceding the first public announcement of such issuance, sale or exchange multiplied by the maximum number of shares of Common Stock which could be acquired on such date upon the exercise in full of such rights and warrants (including upon the conversion or exchange of all such convertible or exchangeable securities), whether or not exercisable (or convertible or exchangeable) at such date, and (ii) the aggregate amount payable pursuant to such right or warrant to purchase or acquire such maximum number of shares of Common Stock; *provided, however,* that in no event shall the Non-Dilutive Amount be less than zero. For purposes of the foregoing sentence, in the case of a security convertible into or exchangeable for shares of Common Stock, the amount payable pursuant to a right or warrant to purchase or acquire shares of Common Stock shall be the Fair Market Value of such security on the date of the issuance, sale or exchange of such security by the Corporation.

“Pro Rata Repurchase” shall mean any purchase of shares of Common Stock by the Corporation or any subsidiary thereof, whether for cash, shares of capital stock of the Corporation, other securities of the Corporation, evidences of indebtedness of the Corporation or any other person or any other property (including shares of a subsidiary of the Corporation), or any combination thereof, effected while any of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding, pursuant to any tender offer or exchange offer subject to Section 13(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or any successor provision of law, or pursuant to any other offer available to substantially all holders of Common Stock, other than any such purchase effected prior to June 29, 1989; *provided, however,* that no purchase of shares by the Corporation or any subsidiary thereof made in open market transactions shall be deemed a Pro Rata Repurchase. For purposes of this paragraph (G) of this Section 9, shares shall be deemed to have been purchased by the Corporation or any subsidiary thereof “in open market transactions” if they have been purchased substantially in accordance with the requirements of Rule 10b-18 as in effect under the Exchange Act on the date shares of Series B Preferred Stock are initially issued by the Corporation, or on such other terms and conditions as the Board of Directors

or a committee thereof shall have determined are reasonably designed to prevent such purchases from having a material effect on the trading market for the Common Stock.

(H) In the event that the Board of Directors of the Corporation adjusts the number of outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock in accordance with Section 3 hereof, then in lieu of any other adjustment to the Conversion Price pursuant to this Section 9, the Board of Directors of the Corporation may make such other adjustments as they deem appropriate. The determination of the Board of Directors of the Corporation as to whether an adjustment should be made pursuant to the foregoing sentence of this paragraph (H), and, if so, as to what adjustment should be made and when, shall be final and binding on the Corporation and all shareholders of the Corporation.

(I) Whenever an adjustment to the Conversion Price and the related voting rights of Series B Preferred Stock is required pursuant to this Amendment, the Corporation shall forthwith place on file with the transfer agent for the Common Stock and the Series B Preferred Stock, and with the Secretary of the Corporation, a statement signed by two officers of the Corporation stating the adjusted Conversion Price determined as provided herein and the resulting conversion ratio, and the voting rights (as appropriately adjusted), of the Series B Preferred Stock. Such statement shall set forth in reasonable detail such facts as shall be necessary to show the reason and the manner of computing such adjustment, including any determination of Fair Market Value involved in such computation. Promptly after each adjustment to the Conversion Price and the related voting rights of the shares of the Series B Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall mail a notice thereof and of the then prevailing conversion ratio to each holder of shares of Series B Preferred Stock.

Section 10. Ranking; Attributable Capital and Adequacy of Surplus; Retirement of Shares.

(A) The Series B Preferred Stock shall rank senior to the Common Stock as to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets on liquidation, dissolution and winding up of the Corporation, and, unless otherwise provided in the Articles, as the same may be amended, or a Certificate of Amendment relating to a subsequent series of Preferred Stock without par value, of the Corporation, the Series B Preferred Stock shall rank junior to all series of the Corporation's Preferred Stock, without par value, as to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets on liquidation, dissolution or winding up.

(B) In addition to any vote of shareholders required by law or by Section 3(B) of this Amendment, the vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be required to increase the par value of the Common Stock or otherwise increase the capital of the Corporation allocable to the Common Stock for the purpose of the Indiana Business Corporation Law ("BCL") if, as a result thereof, the surplus of the Corporation for purposes of the BCL would be less than the amount of Preferred Dividends that would accrue on the then outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock during the following three years.

(C) Any shares of Series B Preferred Stock acquired by the Corporation by reason of the conversion or redemption of such shares as herein provided, or otherwise so

acquired, shall be retired as shares of Series B Preferred Stock and restored to the status of authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock, without par value, of the Corporation, undesignated as to series, and may thereafter be reissued as part of a new series of such Preferred Stock as permitted by law.

Section 11. Miscellaneous.

(A) All notices referred to herein shall be in writing, and all notices hereunder shall be deemed to have been given upon the earlier of delivery thereof if by hand delivery, by courier or by standard form of telecommunication or three (3) Business Days after the mailing thereof if sent by registered mail (unless first-class mail shall be specifically permitted for such notice under the terms hereof) with postage prepaid, addressed: (i) if to the Corporation, to its office at 345 South High Street, P.O. Box 2407, Muncie, Indiana 47302-0407 (Attention: General Counsel), or to the transfer agent for the Series B Preferred Stock, or other agent of the Corporation designated as permitted hereby or (ii) if to any holder of the Series B Preferred Stock or Common Stock, as the case may be, to such holder at the address of such holder as listed in the stock record books of the Corporation (which may include the records of any transfer agent for the Series B Preferred Stock or Common Stock, as the case may be) or (iii) to such other address as the Corporation or any such holder, as the case may be, shall have designated by notice similarly given.

(B) The term "Common Stock" as used in this Amendment means the Corporation's Common Stock, without par value, as the same exists at the date of filing of this Amendment, or any other class of stock resulting from successive changes or reclassifications of such Common Stock consisting solely of changes in par value, or from par value to no par value, or from no par value to par value. In the event that, at any time as a result of an adjustment made pursuant to Section 9 hereof, the holder of any share of Series B Preferred Stock upon thereafter surrendering such shares for conversion, shall become entitled to receive any shares or other securities of the Corporation other than shares of Common Stock, the Conversion Price in respect of such other shares or securities so receivable upon conversion of Series B Preferred Stock shall thereafter be adjusted, and shall be subject to further adjustment from time to time, in a manner and on terms as nearly equivalent as practicable to the provisions with respect to Common Stock contained in Section 9 hereof, and the provisions of Sections 1 through 8, 10 and 11 of this Amendment with respect to the Common Stock shall apply on like or similar terms to any such other shares or securities.

(C) The Corporation shall pay any and all stock transfer and documentary stamp taxes that may be payable in respect of any issuance or delivery of shares of Series B Preferred Stock or shares of Common Stock or other securities issued on account of Series B Preferred Stock pursuant hereto or certificates representing such shares or securities. The Corporation shall not, however, be required to pay any such tax which may be payable in respect of any transfer involved in the issuance or delivery of shares of Series B Preferred Stock or Common Stock or other securities in a name other than that in which the shares of Series B Preferred Stock with respect to which such shares or other securities are issued or delivered were registered, or in respect of any payment to any person with respect to any such shares or securities other than

a payment, to the registered holder thereof, and shall not be required to make any such issuance, delivery or payment unless and until the person otherwise entitled to such issuance, delivery or payment has paid to the Corporation the amount of any such tax or has established, to the satisfaction of the Corporation, that such tax has been paid or is not payable.

(D) In the event that a holder of shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall not by written notice designate the name in which shares of Common Stock to be issued upon conversion of such shares should be registered or to whom payment upon redemption of shares of Series B Preferred Stock should be made or the address to which the certificate or certificates representing such shares, or such payment, should be sent, the Corporation shall be entitled to register such shares, and make such payment, in the name of the holder of such Series B Preferred Stock as shown on the records of the Corporation and to send the certificate or certificates representing such shares, or such payment, to the address of such holder shown on the records of the Corporation.

(E) Unless otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation, as the same may be amended, of the Corporation, all payments in the form of dividends, distributions on voluntary or involuntary dissolution, liquidation or winding up or otherwise made upon the Series B Preferred Stock and any other stock ranking on a parity with the Series B Preferred Stock with respect to such dividend or distribution shall be pro rata, so that amounts paid per share of Series B Preferred Stock and such other stock shall in all cases bear to each other the same ratio that the required dividends, distributions or payments, as the case may be, then payable per share on the Series B Preferred Stock and such other stock bear to each other.

(F) The Corporation may appoint, and from time to time discharge and change, a transfer agent for the Series B Preferred Stock. Upon any such appointment or discharge of a transfer agent, the Corporation shall send notice thereof by hand delivery, by courier, by standard form of telecommunication or by first-class mail (postage prepaid), to each holder of record of Series B Preferred Stock.

Section B. Issue and Consideration for Capital Stock

1. The Board of Directors shall have authority to authorize and direct the issuance by the Corporation of shares of Common Stock and Preferred Stock at such times, in such amounts, to such persons, for such consideration, and upon such terms and conditions as it may determine, subject to the restrictions, limitations, conditions and requirements imposed by the provisions of these Articles, by the provisions of the resolutions authorizing the issuance of any series of shares of Preferred Stock adopted by the Board of Directors, or by the provisions of The Indiana General Corporation Act.

2. When payment of the consideration for which any share or shares of stock so authorized to be issued shall have been received by the Corporation, such share or shares shall be declared and taken to be fully paid and not liable to any further call or assessment, and the holder or holders thereof shall not be liable for any further payments thereon.

Section C. No Preemptive Rights

The shareholders shall have no preemptive rights to subscribe to or purchase any additional issues of shares of the capital stock of the Corporation nor any shares of the capital stock of the Corporation purchased or acquired by the Corporation and not canceled but held as treasury stock.

**ARTICLE VII
Voting Rights of Capital Stock**

Section A. Common Stock

Each owner of record (as of the record date fixed by the Bylaws or the Board of Directors for any such determination of shareholders) of shares of the Common Stock shall have one (1) vote for each share of Common Stock standing in his, her or its name on the books of the Corporation with respect to each matter to be voted on, including the election of Directors and on matters referred to the shareholders, in any meeting of the shareholders.

Section B. Preferred Stock

Subject to the requirements of The Indiana General Corporation Act or applicable regulations of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the Midwest Stock Exchange, Inc., or other exchanges on which the Corporation's capital stock may be listed, holders of Preferred Stock shall have such voting rights as may be determined and designated by the Board of Directors in accordance with Article VI of these Articles of Incorporation.

Section C. No Cumulative Voting

No holder of shares of Common Stock shall have any right of cumulative voting.

**ARTICLE VIII
Stated Capital**

The amount of stated capital of the Corporation at the time of filing of these Articles is at least One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000).

**ARTICLE IX
Directors**

Section A. Number and Term

The maximum number of directors shall be fifteen (15) and the minimum number shall be nine (9). The exact number may from time to time be specified by the Bylaws of the Corporation at not less than nine (9) nor more than fifteen (15). Subject to the rights, if any, of the holders of shares of any class or series of Preferred Stock then outstanding to elect directors under specified circumstances as may be required by The Indiana General Corporation Act or applicable regulations of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the Midwest Stock Exchange, Inc., or other exchanges on which the Corporation's capital stock may be listed, until the election of directors at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held in 2023, the directors shall be classified, with respect to the time for which they severally hold office, into three (3)

classes, as nearly equal in number as possible, as shall be specified by the Bylaws, one (1) class to be originally elected for a term expiring at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held in 1986, another class to be originally elected for a term expiring at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held in 1987, and another class to be originally elected for a term expiring at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held in 1988, with each director to hold office until his successor is elected and qualified. Until the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Corporation to be held in 2023, the successor of each director whose term expires at that Meeting shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders held in the third year following the year of his election, or until his successor is elected and qualified. Commencing with the election of directors at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held in 2023, the classification of the Board of Directors shall terminate and all directors shall as of such meeting and thereafter be elected for a one-year term expiring at the next Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Section B. Qualifications

Directors need not be shareholders of the Corporation. A majority of the directors at any time shall be citizens of the United States.

Section C. Vacancies

Subject to the rights, if any, of the holders of shares of any class or series of Preferred Stock then outstanding to elect directors under specified circumstances as may be required by The Indiana General Corporation Act or applicable regulations of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the Midwest Stock Exchange, Inc., or other exchanges on which the Corporation's capital stock may be listed, newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the number of directors and any vacancies on the Board of Directors resulting from death, resignation, disqualification, removal or other cause shall be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors then in office, even though less than a quorum of the Board of Directors. Any director elected in accordance with the preceding sentence shall hold office for the remainder of the full term of the class of directors in which the new directorship was created or the vacancy occurred and until such director's successor shall have been elected and qualified. No decrease in the number of directors constituting the Board of Directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.

Section D. Removal

Subject to the rights, if any, of the holders of any class or series of Preferred Stock then outstanding to elect directors under specified circumstances as may be required by The Indiana General Corporation Act or applicable regulations of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the Midwest Stock Exchange, Inc., or other exchanges on which the Corporation's capital stock may be listed, any director may be removed from office, but only for cause and only by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least three-fourths of the combined voting power of the outstanding shares of stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class.

Section E. Amendment

Notwithstanding anything contained in these Articles of Incorporation to the contrary, the affirmative vote of the holders of at least three-fourths of the combined voting power of the outstanding

shares of stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class, shall be required to alter, amend or adopt any provision inconsistent with or to repeal this Article IX.

ARTICLE X

Election

Each director shall be elected by a majority of the votes cast either in person or by proxy and entitled to vote at any meeting for the election of directors at which a quorum is present; provided, however, that if as of the record date for the meeting there are more nominees than positions on the board to be filled by election at such meeting, each director shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast by the shares represented in person or by proxy at such meeting and entitled to vote on the election of directors.

ARTICLE XI

Names and Addresses of Directors

The names and business addresses of the Corporation's directors, as of the filing date of the Corporation's last Biennial Report filed with the Indiana Secretary of State in accordance with Indiana Code Section 23-1-53-3, are as set forth in such report.

ARTICLE XII

Names and Business Addresses of the Secretary and the Highest Executive Officer of the Corporation

The names and business addresses of the Corporation's secretary and the Corporation's highest executive officer, as of the filing date of the Corporation's last Biennial Report filed with the Indiana Secretary of State in accordance with Indiana Code Section 23-1-53-3, are as set forth in such report.

ARTICLE XIII

Provisions for Regulations of Business and Conduct of Affairs of the Corporation

Section A. Meetings

Meetings of the shareholders and the directors of this Corporation may be held either within or without the State of Indiana, and at such place as the Bylaws shall provide or, in default of such provisions, at such place as the Board of Directors shall designate.

Section B. Indemnification

Indemnification of directors, officers and employees shall be as follows:

1. The Corporation shall indemnify each person who is or was a director, officer or employee of the Corporation, or of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise which he is serving or served in any capacity at the request of the Corporation, against any and all liability and reasonable expense that may be incurred by him in connection with or resulting from any claim, actions, suit or proceeding (whether actual or threatened, brought by or in the right of the corporation or such other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, or otherwise, civil, criminal, administrative, investigative, or in connection with an appeal relating thereto), in which he may become involved, as a party or otherwise, by reason of his being or having been a director, officer or employee of the Corporation

or of such other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise or by reason of any past or future action taken or not taken in his capacity as such director, officer or employee, whether or not he continues to be such at the time such liability or expense is incurred, provided that such person acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in the best interests of the Corporation or such other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, as the case may be, and, in addition, in any criminal action or proceedings, had no reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful. Notwithstanding the foregoing, there shall be no indemnification (a) as to amounts paid or payable to the Corporation or such other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, as the case may be, for or based upon the director, officer or employee having gained in fact any personal profit or advantage to which he was not legally entitled; (b) as to amounts paid or payable to the Corporation for an accounting of profits in fact made from the purchase or sale of securities of the corporation within the meaning of Section 16 (b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and amendments thereto or similar provisions of any state statutory law; or (c) with respect to matters as to which indemnification would be in contravention of the laws of the State of Indiana or of the United States of America whether as a matter of public policy or pursuant to statutory provisions.

2. Any such director, officer or employee who has been wholly successful, on the merits or otherwise, with respect to any claim, action, suit or proceeding of the character described herein shall be entitled to indemnification as of right, except to the extent he has otherwise been indemnified. Except as provided in the preceding sentence, any indemnification hereunder shall be granted by the Corporation, but only if (a) the Board of Directors, acting by a quorum consisting of directors who are not parties to or who have been wholly successful with respect to such claim, action, suit or proceeding, shall find that the director, officer or employee has met the applicable standards of conduct set forth in paragraph 1 of this Section B of Article XIII; or (b) outside legal counsel engaged by the Corporation (who may be regular counsel of the Corporation) shall deliver to the corporation its written opinion that such director, officer or employee has met such applicable standards of conduct; or (c) a court of competent jurisdiction has determined that such director, officer or employee has met such standards, in an action brought either by the Corporation, or by the director, officer or employee seeking indemnification, applying *de 170110* such applicable standards of conduct. The termination of any claim, action, suit or proceeding, civil or criminal, by judgment, settlement (whether with or without court approval) or conviction or upon a plea of guilty or of *nolo contendere*, or its equivalent, shall not create a presumption that a director, officer or employee did not meet the applicable standards of conduct set forth in paragraph 1 of this Section B of Article XIII.

3. As used in this Section B of Article XIII, the term "liability" shall mean amounts paid in settlement or in satisfaction of judgments or fines or penalties, and the term "expense" shall include, but shall not be limited to, attorneys' fees and disbursements, incurred in connection with the claim, action, suit or proceeding. The Corporation may advance expenses to, or where appropriate may at its option and expense undertake the defense of, any such director, officer or employee upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of such person to repay such expenses if it should ultimately be determined that the person is not entitled to indemnification under this Section B of Article XIII.

4. The provisions of this Section B of Article XIII shall be applicable to claims, actions, suits or proceedings made or commenced after the adoption hereof, whether arising from acts or omissions to act occurring before or after the adoption hereof. If several claims, issues or matters of action are involved, any such director, officer or employee may be entitled to indemnification as to some matters even though he is not so entitled as to others. The rights of indemnification provided hereunder shall be in addition to any rights to which any director, officer or employee concerned may otherwise be entitled by contract or as a matter of law, and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of any such director, officer or employee.

ARTICLE XIV
Fair Price, Form of Consideration and Procedural Safeguards
for Certain Related Party Business Combinations

Section A. Higher Vote Required for Certain Related Party Business Combinations

1. In addition to any affirmative vote required by law or under these Articles of Incorporation, and except as otherwise expressly provided in Section B of this Article XIV, any Related Party Business Combination (as hereinafter defined) shall require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least three-fourths of the Voting Stock (as hereinafter defined), voting together as a single class. For purposes of this Article XIV, each share of Voting Stock shall have the number of votes granted to it pursuant to these Articles of Incorporation.

2. Such affirmative votes shall be required notwithstanding the fact that no vote may be required, or that a lesser percentage or separate class vote may be specified, by law or in any agreement with any national securities exchange or otherwise.

Section B. When Higher Vote Not Required

The provisions of Section A of this Article XIV shall not be applicable to any particular Related Party Business Combination, and such Related Party Business Combination shall require only such affirmative vote as is required by law or any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation or the Bylaws of the Corporation, or any agreement with any national securities exchange, if all of the conditions specified in either of the following subparagraphs 1 or 2 are met:

1. *Approval of Disinterested Directors.* The Related Party Business Combination shall have been expressly approved by a majority (whether such approval is made prior to or subsequent to the acquisition of beneficial ownership of the Voting Stock that caused the Related party, as hereinafter defined, to become a Related Party) of the Disinterested Directors (as hereinafter defined); or

2. *Fair Price, Form of Consideration and Procedural Requirements.* All of the following conditions shall have been met:

(A) The aggregate amount of the cash and the Fair Market Value (as hereinafter defined) as of the date of the consummation of the Related Party Business Combination (the "Consummation Date") of consideration other than cash to be received per share by holders of shares of any class or series of Capital Stock (as hereinafter defined) in such Related Party Business Combination shall be at least equal to the highest of the following (it being intended that the requirements of this subparagraph 2. (A) shall be required to be met with respect to every class or series of outstanding Capital Stock, whether or not the Related Party has previously acquired beneficial ownership of any shares of a particular class or series of Capital Stock):

(1) (if applicable) the highest per share price (including any brokerage commissions, transfer taxes and soliciting dealers' fees) paid by or on behalf of the Related Party for any shares of such class or series of Capital Stock acquired by or on behalf of the Related Party (a) within the two-year period immediately prior to the first public announcement of the proposal of the Related Party Business Combination (the

“Announcement Date”) or (b) in the transaction in which it became a Related Party, whichever is higher;

(2) the Fair Market Value per share of such class or series of Capital Stock on the Announcement Date or on the date on which the Related Party became a Related Party (the “Determination Date”), whichever is higher;

(3) (if applicable) the price per share equal to the Fair Market Value per share of such class or series of Capital Stock determined pursuant to the immediately preceding clause (2), multiplied by the ratio calculated by dividing (a) the highest per share price (including any brokerage commissions, transfer taxes and soliciting dealers’ fees) paid by or on behalf of the Related Party for any share of such class or series of Capital Stock in connection with the acquisition by the Related party of beneficial ownership of shares of such class or series of Capital Stock within the two-year period immediately prior to the Announcement Date by (b) the Fair Market Value per share of such class or series of Capital Stock on the first day in such two-year period on which the Related Party acquired beneficial ownership of any share of such class or series of Capital Stock;

(4) in the case of Common Stock, the Corporation’s net income per share of Common Stock for the four full consecutive fiscal quarters immediately preceding the Announcement Date, multiplied by the higher of the then price/earnings multiple (if any) of such Related Party or the highest price/earnings multiple of the corporation within the two-year period immediately preceding the Announcement Date (such price/earnings multiples being determined as customarily computed and reported in the financial community); or

(5) in the case of any class or series of Capital Stock other than Common Stock, the highest preferential amount per share to which the holders of shares of such class or series of Capital Stock are entitled in the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation.

All per share prices shall be adjusted for any intervening stock splits, stock dividends and reverse stock splits.

(B) The consideration to be received by holders of a particular class or series of Capital Stock shall be in cash or in the same form as the Related Party has previously paid for shares of such particular stock. If the Related Party has paid for shares of any class or series of Capital Stock with varying forms of consideration, the form of consideration for such particular stock shall be either cash or the form used to acquire the largest number of shares of such particular stock previously acquired by it.

(C) After such Related Party has become a Related Party and prior to the Consummation Date:

(1) there shall have been (a) no reduction in the annual rate of dividends paid on the Common Stock (except as necessary to reflect any subdivision of Common Stock),

except as approved by a majority of the Disinterested Directors, and (b) an increase in such annual rate of dividends as necessary to reflect any reclassification (including any reverse stock split), recapitalization, reorganization or any similar transaction which has the effect of reducing the number of outstanding shares of the Common Stock, unless the failure so to increase such annual rate is approved by a majority of the Disinterested Directors;

(2) there shall have been no failure to declare and pay at the regular date therefor any full quarterly dividends (whether or not cumulative) payable in accordance with the terms of any other outstanding class or series of Capital Stock, except as approved by a majority of the Disinterested Directors; and

(3) such Related Party shall have not become the beneficial owner of any additional shares of Capital Stock, except as part of the transaction which results in such Related Party becoming a Related Party.

(D) After such Related Party has become a Related Party, such Related Party shall not have received the benefit, directly or indirectly (except proportionately as a shareholder), of any loans, advances, guaranties, pledges or other financial assistance or any tax credits or other tax advantages provided by the Corporation, whether in anticipation of or in connection with such Related Party Business Combination, or otherwise.

(E) A proxy or information statement describing the proposed Related Party Business Combination and complying with the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (or any subsequent provisions replacing such Act, rules or regulations) shall be mailed to public shareholders of the Corporation at least 30 calendar days prior to the consummation of such Related Party Business Combination (whether or not such proxy or information statement is required to be mailed pursuant to such Act or subsequent provisions). The proxy or information statement shall contain on the first page thereof, in a prominent place, any statement as to the advisability (or inadvisability) of the Related Party Business Combination that the Disinterested Directors, or any of them, may choose to make and, if deemed advisable by a majority of the Disinterested Directors, the opinion of an investment banking firm selected by a majority of the disinterested Directors as to the fairness (or not) of the terms of the Related Party Business Combination from a financial point of view to the holders of the shares of any class or series of Capital Stock other than the Related party and its Affiliates or Associates (as hereinafter defined), such investment banking firm to be paid a reasonable fee for its services by this Corporation.

(F) Such Related Party shall not have made any major change in the Corporation's business or equity capital structure without the approval of a majority of the Disinterested Directors.

Section C. Definitions for Article XIV

For the purposes of this Article XIV:

1. The term “Related Party Business Combination” shall mean any transaction referred to in one or more of the following:

(A) any merger or consolidation of the Corporation or any Subsidiary (as hereinafter defined) with (1) any Related Party or (2) any other corporation (whether or not itself a Related Party) which is, or after such merger or consolidation would be, an Affiliate or Associate (as hereinafter defined) of any Related Party; or

(B) any sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, transfer or other disposition (in one transaction or a series of transactions) to or with any Related Party or any Affiliate or Associate of any Related Party of any assets of the Corporation or any subsidiary having an aggregate Fair Market Value of Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) or more; or

(C) the issuance or transfer by the Corporation or any Subsidiary (in one transaction or a series of transactions) of any securities having an aggregate Fair Market Value of Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) or more of the Corporation or any subsidiary to any Related Party or any Affiliate or Associate of any Related Party in exchange for cash, securities or other property (or combination thereof); or

(D) the adoption of any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Corporation proposed by or on behalf of any Related Party or any Affiliate or Associate of any Related Party; or

(E) any reclassification of securities (including any reverse stock split), or recapitalization of the Corporation, or any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with any of its Subsidiaries or any other transaction (whether or not with or into or otherwise involving a Related Party or any Affiliate or Associate of any Related Party) which has the effect, directly or indirectly, of increasing the proportionate share of the outstanding shares of any class of equity or convertible securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary which is directly or indirectly owned by any Related Party or any Affiliate or Associate of any Related Party; or

(F) any agreement, contract or other arrangement providing for any one or more of the actions specified in the foregoing clauses (A) through (E).

2. The term “Related Party” shall mean any person (other than the Corporation or any Subsidiary, and other than any profit-sharing, employee stock ownership or other employee benefit plan of the Corporation or any Subsidiary or any trustee of or fiduciary with respect to any such plan when acting in such capacity) who or which:

(A) is the beneficial owner (as hereinafter defined) of more than ten percent (10%) of the voting power of the outstanding Voting Stock; or

(B) is an Affiliate or Associate of the Corporation and at any time within the two-year period immediately prior to the date in question was the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of ten percent (10%) or more of the voting power of the then outstanding Voting Stock; or

(C) is an assignee of or has otherwise succeeded to any shares of Voting Stock which were at any time within the two-year period immediately prior to the date in question beneficially owned by any Related Party, if such assignment or succession shall have occurred in the course of a transaction or series of transactions not involving a public offering within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

For purposes of determining whether a person is a Related Party, the number of shares of Voting Stock deemed to be outstanding shall include shares deemed owned through application of Section C.4., hereof, but shall not include any other shares of Voting Stock which may be issuable pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, or upon exercise of conversion rights, warrants or options, or otherwise.

3. The term “person” shall mean any individual, firm, partnership, trust, corporation or other entity and shall include any group comprised of any person and any other person with whom such person or any Affiliate or Associate of such person has any agreement, arrangement or understanding, directly or indirectly, for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of Voting Stock.

4. A person shall be a “beneficial owner” of any Voting Stock:

(A) which such person or any of its Affiliates or Associates beneficially owns, directly or indirectly;
or

(B) which such person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has (1) the right to acquire (whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time) pursuant to any agreement, arrangement, understanding or relationship or upon the exercise of conversion rights, exchange rights, warrants or options, or otherwise; or (2) the right to vote pursuant to any agreement, arrangement, understanding or relationship; or (3) the right to invest, including the power to dispose or to direct the disposition of, pursuant to any agreement, arrangement, understanding or relationship; or

(C) which is beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by any other person with which such person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has any agreement, arrangement, understanding or relationship for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of any shares of Voting Stock.

5. The term “Affiliate,” used to indicate a relationship with a specified person, shall mean a person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the person specified.

6. The term “Associate,” used to indicate a relationship with a specified person, shall mean:

(A) any corporation or organization (other than the Corporation or a Subsidiary) of which such person is an officer or partner or is, directly or indirectly, the beneficial owner of ten percent (10%) or more of any class of equity securities; or

(B) any trust or other estate in which such person has a substantial beneficial interest or as to which such person serves as trustee or in a similar fiduciary capacity; or

(C) any relative or spouse of such person, or any relative of such spouse, who has the same home as such person; or

(D) any person who is a director or officer of such specified person or any of its parents or subsidiaries (other than the Corporation or a Subsidiary).

7. The term “Subsidiary” shall mean any corporation of which a majority of any class of equity security is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation; provided, however, that for the purposes of the definition of Related Party set forth in Section C.2., hereof, the term “Subsidiary” shall mean only a corporation of which a majority of each class of equity security is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation.

8. The term “Disinterested Director” shall mean:

(A) any member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation who is unaffiliated with the Related Party and was a member of the Board of Directors prior to the time that the Related Party became a Related Party; or

(B) any successor of a Disinterested Director who is unaffiliated with the Related Party and is recommended to succeed a Disinterested Director by a majority of Disinterested Directors then on the Board of Directors.

9. The term “Fair Market Value” shall mean:

(A) in the case of stock, the highest closing sale price during the 30-calendar-day period immediately preceding the date in question of a share of such stock on the Composite Tape for New York Stock Exchange-Listed Stocks, or, if such stock is not quoted on the Composite Tape, on the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., or, if such stock is not listed on such Exchange, on the principal United State securities exchange registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, on which such stock is listed or, if such stock is not listed on any such exchange, the highest closing bid quotation with respect to a share of such stock during the 30-calendar-day period preceding the date in question on the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., Automated Quotations System or any system then in use, or if no such quotation is available, the Fair Market Value on the date in question of a share of such stock as determined by a majority of the disinterested Directors in good faith; and

(B) in the case of property other than cash or stock, the Fair Market Value of such property on the date in question as determined by a majority of the Disinterested Directors in good faith.

10. The term “Capital Stock” shall mean all Capital Stock of the Corporation authorized to be issued from time to time under Article V of these Articles of Incorporation, and the term “Voting Stock” shall mean the then outstanding shares of Capital Stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors.

11. In the event of any Related Party Business Combination in which the Corporation survives, the phrase “other consideration to be received” as used in Sections B.2. (A) and B.2. (B) of this Article XIV

shall include the shares of Common Stock and/or the shares of any other class or series of Capital Stock retained by the holders of such shares.

Section D. Determination by the Disinterested Directors

A majority of the Disinterested Directors or, if there should be no Disinterested Directors, a majority of the directors, shall have the power and duty to determine for the purposes of this Article XIV, on the basis of information known to them after reasonable inquiry:

1. Whether a person is a Related Party;
2. The number of shares of Voting Stock beneficially owned by any person;
3. Whether a person is an Affiliate or Associate of another;
4. Whether the assets which are the subject of any Related Party Business Combination have, or the consideration to be received for the issuance or transfer of securities by the Corporation or any Subsidiary in any Related Party Business Combination has, an aggregate Fair Market Value of Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) or more; and
5. Such other matters with respect to which a determination is required under this Article XIV.

A majority of the Disinterested Directors or, if there should be no Disinterested Directors, a majority of the directors shall have the further power to interpret all of the terms and provisions of this Article XIV.

Section E. Effect on Fiduciary Obligations

1. Nothing contained in this Article XIV shall be construed to relieve any Related Party from any fiduciary obligation imposed by law.

2. The fact that any Related Party Business Combination complies with the provisions of Section B. of this Article XIV shall not be construed to impose any fiduciary duty, obligation or responsibility on the Board of Directors, or any member thereof, to approve such Related Party Business Combination or recommend its adoption or approval to the shareholders of the Corporation, nor shall such compliance limit, prohibit or otherwise restrict in any manner the Board of Directors, or any member thereof, with respect to evaluations of or actions and responses taken with respect to such Related Party Business Combination.

Section F. Amendment

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, these Articles of Incorporation or the Bylaws of the Corporation, and notwithstanding the fact that a lesser vote may be specified by law, these Articles of Incorporation or the Bylaws of the Corporation. and in addition to any affirmative vote of holders of any class or series of Capital Stock of the Corporation then outstanding which is required by law or by or pursuant to these Articles of Incorporation, the affirmative vote of the holders of at least three-fourths of the combined voting power of the shares of the outstanding Voting Stock, voting together as a single class, shall be required to amend or repeal, or adopt any provisions inconsistent with, this Article XIV; provided,

however, that this Section F. shall not apply to, and such three-fourths vote shall not be required for, any amendment, repeal or adoption unanimously recommended by the Board of Directors if all such directors are persons who would be eligible to serve as Disinterested Directors within the meaning of this Article XIV.

ARTICLE XV
Effect of Amended Articles

These Articles shall supersede and take the place of the heretofore existing Amended Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XVI
Shareholder Amendments to the Bylaws

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, these Articles of Incorporation or the Bylaws of the Corporation, the Bylaws of the Corporation may be amended by the majority of the outstanding shares of stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors.

**Bylaws
of
Ball Corporation
(As of July 30, 2025)**

**Article 1
Capital Stock**

Section A. Classes of Stock. The capital stock of the corporation shall consist of shares of such kinds and classes, with such designations and such relative rights, preferences, qualifications, limitations and restrictions, including voting rights, and for such consideration as shall be stated in or determined in accordance with the Amended Articles of Incorporation and any amendment or amendments thereof, or the Indiana Business Corporation Law. Consistent with the Indiana Business Corporation Law, capital stock of the corporation owned by the corporation may be referred to and accounted for as treasury stock.

Section B. Certificates for Shares. All share certificates shall be consecutively numbered as issued and shall be signed by the chairman and the corporate secretary.

Section C. Transfer of Shares. The shares of the capital stock of the corporation shall be transferred only on the books of the corporation by the holder thereof, or by his attorney, upon the surrender and cancellation of the stock certificate, whereupon a new certificate shall be issued to the transferee. The transfer and assignment of such shares of stock shall be subject to the laws of the State of Indiana. The board of directors shall have the right to appoint and employ one or more stock registrars and/or transfer agents in the State of Indiana or in any other state.

Section D. Control Share Acquisition Statute Inapplicable. Chapter 42 of the Indiana Business Corporation Law (IC 23-1-42) shall not apply to control share acquisitions of shares of the corporation.

**Article 2
Shareholders**

Section A. Annual Meetings. The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of the corporation shall be held on the fourth (4th) Wednesday after the first (1st) Wednesday in April of each year, or on such other date within a reasonable interval after the close of the corporation's last fiscal year as may be designated from time to time by the board of directors, for the election of directors of the corporation, and for the transaction of such other business as is authorized or required to be transacted by the shareholders.

Section B. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the shareholders may be called by the chairman of the board or by the board of directors or as otherwise may be required by law.

Section C. Time and Place of Meetings. All meetings of the shareholders shall be held at the principal office of the corporation or at such other place within or without the State of Indiana and at such time as may be designated from time to time by the board of directors.

Section D. Notice of Shareholder Nominations of Directors. Only persons who are nominated in accordance with the following procedures shall be eligible for election as directors of the corporation, except as may be otherwise provided in the Amended Articles of Incorporation of the corporation with respect to the right of holders of preferred stock of the corporation to nominate and elect a specified number of directors in certain circumstances. Nominations of persons for election to the board of directors may be made at any annual meeting of shareholders (a) by or at the direction of the board of directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof) or (b) by any shareholder of the corporation (i) who is a shareholder of record on the date of the giving of the notice provided for in this Section D and on the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to vote at such annual meeting and (ii) who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section D.

In addition to any other applicable requirements, for a nomination to be made by a shareholder, such shareholder must have given timely notice thereof in proper written form to the Secretary of the corporation.

To be timely, a shareholder's notice to the Secretary must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the corporation not less than ninety (90) days nor more than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of shareholders; provided, however, that in the event that the annual meeting is called for a date that is not within thirty (30) days before or after such anniversary date, notice by the shareholder in order to be timely must be so received not later than the close of business on the tenth (10th) day following the day on which such notice of the date of the annual meeting was mailed or such public disclosure of the date of the annual meeting was made, whichever first occurs. In no event shall the public disclosure of an adjournment of an annual meeting commence a new time period for the giving of a shareholder's notice as described above.

To be in proper written form, a shareholder's notice to the Secretary must set forth as to each person whom the shareholder proposes to nominate for election as a director and as to the shareholder giving the notice and any Shareholder Associated Person (as defined below) (i) the name, age, business address, residence address and record address of such person, (ii) the principal occupation or employment of such person, (iii) the class or series and number of shares of capital stock of the corporation which are owned beneficially or of record by such person, (iv) any information relating to such person that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies for election of directors pursuant to Section 14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, (v) the nominee holder for, and number of, shares owned beneficially but not of record by such person, (vi) whether and the extent to which any hedging or other transaction or series of transactions has been entered into by or on behalf of, or any other agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any derivative or short positions, profit interests, options or borrowed or loaned shares) has been made, the effect or intent of which is to mitigate loss to or manage risk or benefit of share price changes for, or to increase or decrease the voting power of, such person with respect to any share of stock of the corporation, (vii) to the extent known by the shareholder giving the notice, the name and address of any other shareholder supporting the nominee for election or reelection as a director on the date of such shareholder's notice, (viii) a description of

all arrangements or understandings between or among such persons pursuant to which the nomination(s) are to be made by the shareholder and any relationship between or among the shareholder giving notice and any Shareholder Associated Person, on the one hand, and each proposed nominee, on the other hand, (ix) a representation that the shareholder intends to appear in person or by proxy at the meeting to nominate the persons named in its notice, (x) all information that would be required to be set forth in a Schedule 13D filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(a) or an amendment pursuant to Rule 13d-2(a) if such a statement were required to be filed under the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder by the shareholder or any Shareholder Associated Person, and (xi) a representation that the shareholder intends to solicit proxies in support of director nominees other than the corporation's nominees in accordance with Rule 14a-19 promulgated under the Exchange Act. Any information required by this paragraph shall be supplemented by the shareholder giving the notice not later than ten (10) days after the record date for the meeting as of the record date. Such notice must be accompanied by a written consent of each proposed nominee to being named as a nominee and to serve as a director for a full term if elected. The corporation may require any proposed nominee to furnish such other information as may reasonably be required by the corporation to determine the eligibility of such proposed nominee to serve as an independent director of the corporation or that could be material to a reasonable shareholder's understanding of the independence, or lack thereof, of such nominee.

Additionally, without limiting the other provisions and requirements of this Section D, unless otherwise required by law, if any shareholder (i) provides notice pursuant to Rule 14a-19(b) under the Exchange Act, and (ii) subsequently fails to comply with the requirements of Rule 14a-19(a)(2) and Rule 14a-19(a)(3) under the Exchange Act, then the corporation shall disregard any proxies or votes solicited for such shareholder's nominees. Upon request by the corporation, if any shareholder provides notice pursuant to Rule 14a-19(b) under the Exchange Act, such shareholder shall deliver to the corporation, no later than five business days prior to the applicable meeting, reasonable evidence that it has met the requirements of Rule 14a-19(a)(3) under the Exchange Act.

No person shall be eligible for election as a director of the corporation unless nominated in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section D (including the provision of the information required pursuant to the immediately preceding paragraph). If the Chairman of the meeting determines that a nomination was not made in accordance with the foregoing procedures, the Chairman shall declare to the meeting that the nomination was defective and such defective nomination shall be disregarded.

Notwithstanding anything in the third paragraph of this Section D to the contrary, in the event that the number of directors to be elected to the board of directors of the corporation is increased and there is no public disclosure by the corporation naming all of the nominees for director or specifying the size of the increased board of directors at least one hundred (100) days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting, a shareholder's notice required by this Bylaw shall also be considered timely, but only with respect to nominees for any new positions created by such increase, if it shall be delivered to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than the close of business on the tenth (10th) day following the day on which such public disclosure is first made by the corporation.

Section E. Notice of Shareholder Proposals of Business. No business may be transacted at an annual meeting of shareholders, other than business that is either (a) specified in the notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto) given by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof), (b) otherwise properly brought before the annual meeting by or at the direction of the board of directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof) or (c) otherwise properly brought before the annual meeting by any shareholder of the corporation (i) who is a shareholder of record on the date of the giving of the notice provided for in this Section E and on the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to vote at such annual meeting and (ii) who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section E.

In addition to any other applicable requirements, for business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a shareholder, such shareholder must have given timely notice thereof in proper written form to the Secretary of the corporation.

To be timely, a shareholder's notice to the Secretary must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the corporation not less than ninety (90) days nor more than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of shareholders; provided, however, that in the event that the annual meeting is called for a date that is not within thirty (30) days before or after such anniversary date, notice by the shareholder in order to be timely must be so received not later than the close of business on the tenth (10th) day following the day on which such notice of the date of the annual meeting was mailed or such public disclosure of the date of the annual meeting was made, whichever first occurs. In no event shall the public disclosure of an adjournment of an annual meeting commence a new time period for the giving of a shareholder's notice as described above.

To be in proper written form, a shareholder's notice to the Secretary must set forth as to each matter such shareholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the annual meeting and the reasons for conducting such business at the annual meeting and as to the shareholder giving the notice and any Shareholder Associated Person, (i) the name and record address of such person, (ii) the class or series and number of shares of capital stock of the corporation which are owned beneficially or of record by such person, (iii) the nominee holder for, and number of, shares owned beneficially but not of record by such person, (iv) whether and the extent to which any hedging or other transaction or series of transactions has been entered into by or on behalf of, or any other agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any derivative or short positions, profit interests, options or borrowed or loaned shares) has been made, the effect or intent of which is to mitigate loss to or manage risk or benefit of share price changes for, or to increase or decrease the voting power of, such person with respect to any share of stock of the corporation, (v) to the extent known by the shareholder giving the notice, the name and address of any other shareholder supporting the proposal of business on the date of such shareholder's notice, (vi) a description of all arrangements or understandings between or among such persons in connection with the proposal of such business by such shareholder and any material interest in such business and (vii) a representation that the shareholder giving the notice intends to appear in person or by proxy at the annual meeting to bring such business before the meeting. Any information required pursuant to this paragraph shall be supplemented by the shareholder giving the notice not later than ten (10) days after the record date for the meeting as of the record date.

No business shall be conducted at the annual meeting of shareholders except business brought before the annual meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section E (including the provision of the information required pursuant to the immediately preceding paragraph); provided, however, that, once business has been properly brought before the annual meeting in accordance with such procedures, nothing in this Section E shall be deemed to preclude discussion by any shareholder of any such business. If the Chairman of an annual meeting determines that business was not properly brought before the annual meeting in accordance with the foregoing procedures, the Chairman shall declare to the meeting that the business was not properly brought before the meeting and such business shall not be transacted.

Section F. Definitions.

For purposes of Article Two of these Bylaws:

“Public disclosure” shall mean disclosure in a press release reported by the Dow Jones News Service, Associated Press or comparable national news service or in a document publicly filed by the corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13, 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

“Shareholder Associated Person” of any shareholder shall mean (i) any person acting in concert, directly or indirectly, with such shareholder and (ii) any person controlling, controlled by or under common control with such shareholder or any Shareholder Associated Person.

Section G. Proxies.

Any shareholder directly or indirectly soliciting proxies from other shareholders must use a proxy card color other than white, which color shall be reserved for the exclusive use for solicitation by the board of directors of the corporation.

**Article 3
Directors**

Section A. Number and Terms of Office. The business of the Corporation shall be controlled and managed in accordance with the Indiana Business Corporation Law by a board of directors comprised of not less than nine (9) nor more than fifteen (15) members, the exact number of members to be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors. The corporation elects not to be governed by IND. CODE §23-1-33-6(c).

Section B. Eligibility. No person shall be eligible for election or reelection as a director after having attained the age of seventy-five prior to or on the day of election or reelection. A director who attains the age of seventy-five during his or her term of office shall be eligible to serve only until the annual meeting of shareholders of the corporation next following such director’s seventy-fifth birthday, or until his or her successor is elected and qualified.

Section C. Director Resignation Policy.

In an uncontested election of directors of the corporation, any nominee who receives a greater number of votes “withheld” from his or her election than votes “for” his or her election

will, within ten (10) days following the certification of the shareholder vote, tender his or her written resignation to the chairman of the board for consideration by the Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee (the “Committee”). As used in this Section C, an “uncontested election of directors of the corporation” is an election in which the only nominees are persons nominated by the board of directors of the corporation.

The Committee will consider such tendered resignation and, within sixty (60) days following the certification of the shareholder vote, will make a recommendation to the board of directors concerning the acceptance or rejection of such resignation. In determining its recommendation to the board, the Committee will consider all factors deemed relevant by the members of the Committee.

The Committee also will consider a range of possible alternatives concerning the director’s tendered resignation as the members of the Committee deem appropriate, including, without limitation, acceptance of the resignation, rejection of the resignation or rejection of the resignation coupled with a commitment to seek to address and cure the underlying reasons reasonably believed by the Committee to have substantially resulted in the “withheld” votes.

The board of directors of the corporation will take formal action on the Committee’s recommendation no later than ninety-five (95) days following the certification of the shareholder vote. In considering the Committee’s recommendation, the board will consider the information, factors and alternatives considered by the Committee and such additional information, factors and alternatives as the board deems relevant.

Following the board’s decision on the Committee’s recommendation, the corporation, within four (4) business days after such decision is made, will publicly disclose, in a Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the board’s decision, together with an explanation of the process by which the decision was made and, if applicable, the board’s reason or reasons for its decision.

No director who, in accordance with this Section C, is required to tender his or her resignation, shall participate in the Committee’s deliberations or recommendation, or in the board’s deliberations or determination, with respect to accepting or rejecting his or her resignation as a director. If a majority of the members of the Committee received a greater number of votes “withheld” from their election than votes “for” their election, then the independent directors then serving on the board of directors who received a greater number of votes “for” their election than votes “withheld” from their election, and the directors, if any, who were not standing for election, will appoint an ad hoc board committee from among themselves (the “Ad Hoc Committee”), consisting of such number of directors as they may determine to be appropriate, solely for the purpose of considering and making a recommendation to the board with respect to the tendered resignations. The Ad Hoc Committee shall serve in place of the Committee and perform the Committee’s duties for purposes of this Section C. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if an Ad Hoc Committee would have been created but fewer than three directors would be eligible to serve on it, the entire board of directors (other than the director whose resignation is being considered) will make the determination to accept or reject the tendered resignation without any recommendation from the Committee and without the creation of an Ad Hoc Committee.

This director resignation policy set forth in this Section C, as it may from time to time be amended, will be summarized or included in the corporation's proxy statement for each meeting of shareholders (annual or special) at which directors are to be elected.

Section D. Regular Meetings. The regular annual meeting of the board of directors shall be held immediately after the adjournment of each annual meeting of the shareholders. Regular quarterly meetings of the board of directors shall be held on the fourth (4th) Wednesday after the first (1st) Wednesday of January, July, and October of each year, or on such other date as may be designated from time to time by the board of directors.

Section E. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the board of directors may be called at any time by the chairman of the board or by the board, by giving to each director an oral or written notice setting the time, place and purpose of holding such meetings.

Section F. Time and Place of Meetings. All meetings of the board of directors shall be held at the principal office of the corporation, or at such other place within or without the State of Indiana and at such time as may be designated from time to time by the board of directors.

Section G. Quorum. At all meetings of the Board, a majority of the directors holding office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Except as otherwise required by law or by the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation, the acts of a majority of the directors present (in person or by audio or video communication) at any meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the acts of the Board.

Section H. Notices. Any notice, of meetings or otherwise, which is given or is required to be given to any director may be in the form of oral notice.

Section I. Committees. The board of directors is expressly authorized to create committees and appoint members of the board of directors to serve on them, as follows:

(1) Temporary and standing committees, including an executive committee, and the respective chairmen thereof, may be appointed by the board of directors, from time to time. The board of directors may invest such committees with such powers and limit the authority of such committees as it may see fit, subject to conditions as it may prescribe. The executive committee shall consist of three or more members of the board. All other committees shall consist of one or more members of the board. All committees so appointed shall keep regular minutes of the transactions of their meetings, shall cause them to be recorded in books kept for that purpose in the office of the corporation, and shall report the same to the board of directors at its next meeting. Within its area of responsibility, each committee shall have and exercise all of the authority of the board of directors, except as limited by the board of directors or by law, and shall have the power to authorize the execution of an affixation of the seal of the corporation to all papers or documents which may require it.

(2) Neither the designation of any of the foregoing committees or the delegation thereto of authority shall operate to relieve the board of directors, or any member thereof, of any responsibility imposed by law.

Section J. Loans to Directors. Except as consistent with the Indiana Business Corporation Law, the corporation shall not lend money to or guarantee the obligation of any director of the corporation.

Article 4 Officers

Section A. Election and Term of Office. The officers of the corporation shall be elected by the board of directors at the regular annual meeting of the board, unless the board shall otherwise determine, and shall consist of a chairman of the board of directors, if so designated as an officer by the board, a chief executive officer, a president, one or more vice presidents (any one or more of whom may be designated "corporate," "group," or other functionally described vice president), a corporate secretary, a treasurer, a controller, and may include a vice-chairman of the board of directors. The board of directors may, from time to time, designate a chief operating officer and a chief financial officer from among the officers of the corporation. At any one time a person may hold more than one office of the corporation. Only the chairman and any vice-chairman of the board must be a director of the corporation. Each officer shall continue in office until his successor shall have been duly elected and qualified or until removed with or without cause by the board of directors. Vacancies in any of such offices may be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the board of directors.

Section B. Chairman of the Board. The chairman of the board shall preside at all meetings of the board of directors and of the shareholders. He shall confer from time to time with members of the board and the officers of the corporation and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the board. Except where by law the signature of another officer is required, the chairman of the board shall possess the power to sign all certificates, deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts and other instruments of the corporation which may be authorized by the board of directors. During the absence or inability to act of the chief executive officer, the chairman of the board shall act as the chief executive officer of the corporation and shall exercise all the powers and discharge all the duties of the chief executive officer.

Section C. Vice-Chairman of the Board. The vice-chairman of the board, if elected, shall, in the absence of the chairman of the board, preside at all meetings of the board of directors and of the shareholders. He shall have and exercise the powers and duties of the chairman of the board in the event of the chairman's absence or inability to act or during a vacancy in the office of chairman of the board. He shall possess the same power as the chairman to sign all certificates, contracts, and other instruments of the corporation which may be authorized by the board of directors. He shall also have such other duties and responsibilities as shall be assigned to him by the board of directors or the chairman.

Section D. The Chief Executive Officer. The chief executive officer shall have general charge, supervision and management of the business, affairs and operations of the corporation in all respects, subject to such directions as the board of directors may from time to time provide. The chief executive officer shall be the senior executive officer of the corporation, shall perform such other duties as are customarily incident to such office and shall have full power and authority to see that all directions and resolutions of the board of directors are carried out and, without limitation, the power and authority to determine and direct:

- (a) The management, supervision and coordination of all business divisions and functional areas;
- (b) The implementation of strategic objectives, the setting of operating priorities and the allocation of human and material resources;
- (c) The management, supervision and coordination of all other executive officers and all business division heads; and
- (d) The briefing of the directors at meetings of the board of directors concerning the corporation's business, affairs and operations.

The chief executive officer shall have the power to sign and execute all certificates, deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, and other instruments of the corporation as authorized by the board of directors, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly designated by the board of directors or by these bylaws to some other officer or agent of the corporation.

Section E. The President. The president shall perform such duties as the board of directors or the chief executive officer shall from time to time specify and other duties incident to the office of president and as are required of him by these bylaws. The president shall have the power to sign and execute all certificates, deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts and other instruments of the corporation as authorized by the board of directors, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly designated by the board of directors or by these bylaws to some other officer or agent of the corporation.

Section F. The Vice Presidents. The vice presidents shall possess the same power as the president to sign all certificates, contracts, and other instruments of the corporation which may be authorized by the board of directors, except where by law the signature of the president is required. All vice presidents shall perform such duties as may from time to time be assigned to them by the board of directors, the chairman of the board, and the president. In the event of the absence or disability of the president, and at the request of the chairman of the board, or in his absence or disability, at the request of the vice-chairman of the board, or in his absence or disability at the request of the board of directors, the vice presidents in the order designated by the chairman of the board, or in his absence or disability by the vice-chairman of the board, or in his absence or disability by the board of directors, shall perform all of the duties of the president, and when so acting they shall have all of the powers of and be subject to the restrictions upon the president and shall act as a member of, or as a chairman of, any standing or special committee of which the president is a member or chairman by designation or ex officio.

Section G. The Corporate Secretary. The corporate secretary of the corporation shall:

- (1) Keep the minutes of the meetings of the shareholders and the board of directors in books provided for that purpose.
 - (2) See that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws and as required by law.
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(3) Be custodian of the records and of the seal of the corporation and see that the seal is affixed to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the corporation under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws.

(4) Keep a register of the post office address of each shareholder, which shall be furnished to the corporate secretary at his request by such shareholder, and make all proper changes in such register, retaining and filing his authority for all such entries.

(5) See that the books, reports, statements, certificates and all other documents and records required by law are properly kept, filed, and authenticated.

(6) In general, perform all duties incident to the office of corporate secretary and such other duties as may from time to time be assigned to him by the board of directors.

Section H. The Treasurer. The treasurer of the corporation shall:

(1) Give bond for the faithful discharge of his duties if required by the board of directors.

(2) Have the charge and custody of, and be responsible for, all funds and securities of the corporation, and deposit all such funds in the name of the corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws.

(3) At all reasonable times, exhibit his books of account and records, and cause to be exhibited the books of account and records of any corporation a majority of whose stock is owned by the corporation, to any of the directors of the corporation upon application during business hours at the office of this corporation or such other corporation where such books and records are kept.

(4) Render a statement of the conditions of the finances of the corporation at all regular meetings of the board of directors, and a full financial report at the annual meeting of the shareholders, if called upon so to do.

(5) Receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever.

(6) In general, perform all of the duties incident to the office of treasurer and such other duties as may from time to time be assigned to him by the board of directors.

(7) All acts affecting the treasurer's duties and responsibilities shall be subject to the review and approval of the corporation's chief financial officer.

Section I. The Controller. The controller of the corporation shall:

(1) Direct the financial closings and the preparation of monthly, quarterly and annual consolidated historical financial statements and reports to executive and operating management.

(2) Direct the preparation of financial reports required by federal, state and local regulatory agencies and the preparation of quarterly and annual financial statements and reports to shareholders, the Securities and Exchange Commission and other interested parties.

(3) Provide primary contact for the corporation's independent accountants and all of its consolidated domestic and foreign subsidiaries and represent management to the corporation's domestic and international independent accountants.

(4) Perform and/or direct technical accounting and financial reporting research and monitor developments in accounting and regulatory standards (e.g., FASB, SEC, EITF, IRS).

(5) Direct the corporation's domestic and foreign tax planning, preparation and compliance.

(6) In general, perform all of the duties incident to the office of controller and such other duties as may from time to time be assigned by the board of directors.

(7) In case of absence or disability of the controller, the assistant controllers, in the order designated by the chief financial officer, shall perform the duties of controller.

(8) All acts affecting the controller's duties and responsibilities shall be subject to the review and approval of the corporation's chief financial officer.

Article 5

Indemnification

Section A. Indemnification of Directors and Officers - General. Certain of the terms used herein are more specifically defined in Section F of this Article Five.

(1) The corporation shall indemnify an individual made a party to a proceeding because he is or was a director or officer of the corporation against liability incurred in connection with a proceeding to the fullest extent permitted by the Indiana Business Corporation Law (the "IBCL"), as the same now exist or may hereafter be amended (but only to the extent any such amendment permits the corporation to provide broader indemnification rights than the IBCL permitted the corporation to provide prior to such amendment).

(2) The termination of a proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, or conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent is not, of itself, determinative that the director or officer did not meet the standard of conduct set forth in the IBCL.

(3) To the extent that a director or officer has been wholly successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of any proceeding to which he was a party, or in defense of any claim, issue, or matter therein, because he is or was a director or officer of the corporation, the corporation shall indemnify the director or officer against reasonable expenses incurred by him in connection therewith regardless of whether the director or officer has met the standards set forth in the IBCL and without any action or determination under Section D of this Article Five.

Section B. Advancement of Expenses.

(1) The corporation shall pay for or reimburse the reasonable expenses incurred by a director or officer who is a party to a proceeding in advance of final disposition of the proceeding if:

(a) The director or officer furnishes the corporation a written affirmation of his good faith belief that he has met the standard of conduct set forth in the IBCL;

(b) The director or officer furnishes the corporation a written undertaking, executed personally or on his behalf, to repay any advances if it is ultimately determined that he is not entitled to indemnification under this Article Five; and

(c) A determination is made that the facts then known to those making the determination would not preclude indemnification under the IBCL.

(2) The undertaking required by paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of this Section B must be an unlimited general obligation of the director or officer but need not be secured and may be accepted without reference to financial ability to make repayment.

Section C. Limitations on Indemnification.

(1) The corporation shall not indemnify a director or officer under Section A of this Article Five unless a determination has been made in the specific case that indemnification of the director is permissible in the circumstances because he has met the standard of conduct set forth in the IBCL. Such determination shall be made within sixty (60) days of the request for indemnification:

(a) By the board of directors by majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors not at the time parties to the proceeding;

(b) If a quorum cannot be obtained under paragraph (a) of this subsection, by majority vote of a committee duly designated by the board of directors (in which designation directors who are parties may participate), consisting solely of two or more directors not at the time parties to the proceeding;

(c) By special legal counsel:

(i) Selected by the board of directors or its committee in the manner prescribed in paragraph (a) or (b) of this subsection; or

(ii) If a quorum of the board of directors cannot be obtained under paragraph (a) of this subsection and a committee cannot be designated under paragraph (b) of this subsection, selected by majority vote of the full board of directors (in which selection directors who are parties may participate); or

(d) By the shareholders, but the shares owned by or voted under the control of the officers and directors who are at the time parties to the proceeding may not be voted on the determination; provided, however, that following a change of control of the corporation, with respect to all matters thereafter arising out of acts, omissions or events prior to the change of

control of the corporation concerning the rights of any person seeking indemnification under this Article Five, such determination shall be made by special legal counsel selected by such person and approved by the board of directors or its committee in the manner described in Section C(1)(c) above (which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld), which counsel has not otherwise performed services (other than in connection with similar matters) within the five (5) years preceding its engagement to render such opinion for such person or for the corporation or any affiliates (as such term is defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended) of the corporation (whether or not they were affiliates when services were so performed) (“Independent Counsel”). Unless such person has theretofore selected Independent Counsel pursuant to this Section C and such Independent Counsel has been approved by the corporation, legal counsel approved by a resolution or resolutions of the board of directors of the corporation prior to a change of control of the corporation shall be deemed to have been approved by the corporation as required. Such Independent Counsel shall determine as promptly as practicable whether and to what extent such person would be permitted to be indemnified under applicable law and shall render its written opinion to the corporation and such person to such effect. In making a determination under this Section C, the special legal counsel and Independent Counsel referred to above shall determine that indemnification is permissible unless clearly precluded by this Article Five or the applicable provisions of the IBCL. The corporation agrees to pay the reasonable fees of the Independent Counsel referred to above and to fully indemnify such Independent Counsel against any and all expenses, claims, liabilities and damages arising out of or relating to this Article Five or its engagement pursuant hereto.

(2) Authorization of indemnification or an obligation to indemnify and evaluation as to reasonableness of expenses shall be made as set forth in paragraph (a) above, except that if the determination is made by special legal counsel (pursuant to Section C(1)(c) above), authorization of indemnification and evaluation as to reasonableness of expenses shall be made by those entitled under Section C(1)(c) above to select counsel.

(3) Indemnification under this Article Five in connection with a proceeding by or in the right of the corporation shall be limited to reasonable expenses incurred in connection with the proceeding.

Section D. Enforceability. The provisions of this Article Five shall be applicable to all proceedings commenced after its adoption, whether such arise out of events, acts, omissions or circumstances which occurred or existed prior or subsequent to such adoption, and shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director or officer and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such person. This Article Five shall be deemed to grant each person who is entitled to indemnification hereunder rights against the corporation to enforce the provisions of this Article Five, and any repeal or other modification of this Article Five or any repeal or modification of the IBCL or any other applicable law shall not limit any rights of indemnification then existing or arising out of events, acts, omissions, circumstances occurring or existing prior to such repeal or modification, including, without limitation, the right to indemnification for proceedings commenced after such repeal or modification to enforce this Article Five with regard to acts, omissions, events or circumstances occurring or existing prior to such repeal or modification.

Section E. Severability. If this Article Five or any portion hereof shall be invalidated on any ground by any court of competent jurisdiction, then the corporation shall nevertheless indemnify each director or officer of the corporation as to liabilities incurred in connection with any proceeding, including an action by or in the right of the corporation, to the full extent permitted by any applicable portion of this Article Five that shall not have been invalidated and to the full extent permitted by the Articles and by applicable law.

Section F. Definitions.

As used in this Article, the term:

(1) “Change of control,” for purposes of this Article Five, means (a) an acquisition by any person of 30 percent (30%) or more of the corporation’s voting shares; (b) a merger in which the shareholders of the corporation before the merger own 50 percent (50%) or less of the corporation’s (or the ultimate parent corporation’s) voting shares after the merger; (c) shareholder approval of a plan of liquidation or to sell or dispose of substantially all of the assets of the corporation; and (d) if, during any two-(2) year period, directors at the beginning of the period (and any new directors nominated by a majority of the directors at the beginning of such period) fail to constitute a majority of the board of directors. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a change of control shall not be deemed to occur solely because 30 percent (30%) or more of the then outstanding voting securities is acquired by (i) a trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under one or more employee benefit plans maintained by the corporation or any of its subsidiaries or (ii) any corporation which, immediately prior to such acquisition, is owned directly or indirectly by the shareholders of this corporation in the same proportion as their ownership of shares in this corporation immediately prior to such acquisition.

(2) “Corporation” includes Ball Corporation and any domestic or foreign predecessor entity of the corporation or a corporation in a merger or other transaction in which the predecessor’s existence ceased upon consummation of the transaction.

(3) “Director” means an individual who is or was a director of the corporation or an individual who, while a director of the corporation, is or was serving at the corporation’s request as a director, officer, partner, member, manager, trustee, employee, or agent of another foreign or domestic corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan, or other enterprise, whether for profit or not. A director is considered to be serving an employee benefit plan at the corporation’s request if his duties to the corporation also impose duties on, or otherwise involve services by, him to the plan or to participants in or beneficiaries of the plan. Director includes, unless the context requires otherwise, the estate or personal representative of a director.

(4) “Expenses” include attorneys’ fees.

(5) “Liability” means the obligation to pay a judgment, settlement, penalty, fine (including an excise tax assessed with respect to an employee benefit plan), or reasonable expenses incurred with respect to a proceeding.

(6) “Party” includes an individual who was, is, or is threatened to be made a named defendant or respondent in a proceeding.

(7) “Proceeding” means any threatened, pending, or completed action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative and whether formal or informal, except for a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by a person against the corporation or any director, officer, employee or agent thereof (other than to enforce his rights under this Article Five) and not consented to by the corporation.

Article 6

Corporate Seal

The corporate seal of the corporation shall be a round, metal disc with the words “Ball Corporation” around the outer margin thereof, and the words “Corporate Seal,” in the center thereof, so mounted that it may be used to impress words in raised letters upon paper.

Article 7

Amendment

These bylaws may be altered, added to, amended, or repealed by the board of directors of the corporation at any regular or special meeting thereof or by the majority of the outstanding shares of stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors.

Article 8

Adjudication of Certain Disputes

Section A. Forum for Adjudication of Certain Disputes. Consistent with the Indiana Business Corporation Law (the “IBCL”), unless the corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum (an “Alternative Forum Consent”), the circuit or superior courts of the State of Indiana shall be the sole and exclusive forum for (a) any derivative action brought on behalf of, or in the name of the corporation; (b) any action asserting a claim for breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation to the corporation or any of the corporation’s constituents identified in Chapter 35 of the IBCL (IC 23-1-35-1(d)); (c) any action asserting a claim arising under any provision of the IBCL, the corporation’s Amended Articles of Incorporation and any amendment or amendments thereof, or these bylaws; or (d) any actions otherwise relating to the internal affairs of the corporation; *provided, however*, that, in the event that the circuit or superior courts of the State of Indiana lack subject matter jurisdiction over any such action or proceeding, the sole and exclusive forum for such action or proceeding shall be a federal court located within the State of Indiana, in each such case, unless a circuit or superior court of the State of Indiana (or federal court located within the State of Indiana, as applicable) has dismissed a prior action by the same plaintiff asserting the same claims because such court lacked personal jurisdiction over an indispensable party named as a defendant therein. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in shares of capital stock of the corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to the provisions of this Article 8. The existence of any prior Alternative Forum Consent shall not act as a waiver of the corporation’s ongoing consent right as set forth above in this Section A of Article 8 with respect to any current or future actions or claims.

Section B. Consent to Jurisdiction and Service. If any action the subject matter of which is within the scope of Section A of this Article 8 is filed in a court other than a court located within the State of Indiana (a “Foreign Action”) in the name of any shareholder, such

shareholder shall be deemed to have consented to (a) the personal jurisdiction of the state and federal courts located within the State of Indiana in connection with any action brought in such court to enforce Section A of this Article 8 (an "FSC Enforcement Action") and (b) having service of process made upon such shareholder in any such FSC Enforcement Action by service upon such shareholder's counsel in the Foreign Action as agent for such shareholder.

TRANSITION AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

This Agreement and Release ("Agreement"), is between Howard Yu ("Executive") and Ball Corporation and its beverage and consumer packaging subsidiaries and affiliates ("Ball"), collectively referred to as the "Parties."

I. RECITALS

A. Executive is currently employed by Ball on an at-will basis, meaning that either Ball or Executive may terminate the employment relationship at any time, with or without cause, and with or without advance notice.

B. Parties have mutually agreed to separate from the employment relationship effective June 30, 2025, and Ball has agreed to provide Executive with certain separation benefits subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement in order to effect a smooth transition.

C. The parties each desire to receive the benefits provided to them in this Agreement, to provide the consideration required of them in this Agreement, and to comply with their respective obligations under this Agreement.

II. DEFINITIONS

In addition to parenthetical definitions in this Agreement, the following definitions shall be applicable for the purposes of this Agreement.

A. "Effective Date" means the first date upon which Executive has executed this Agreement and delivered it to the Company through its Chief Legal Officer.

B. "Transition Period" means the period of time when Executive shall be transitioning out of his employment at Ball. The Transition Period shall commence on the date Executive signs this Agreement. The last day of the Transition Period shall be Executive's anticipated separation date of June 30, 2025, or another date chosen by the Parties.

III. AGREEMENT

1. Consideration To Executive: Ball will continue to employ Executive in a transitional capacity (the "Transitional Position") through June 30, 2025, subject at all times to the terms of this Agreement, at which point Executive's employment will end. During the Transition Period, Executive will maintain Executive's current compensation and benefits in effect as of the beginning of the Transition Period. Executive understands that he is receiving the following benefits in addition to those benefits which he is entitled to receive under the Severance Benefit Agreement entered into as of September 25, 2023. Executive also agrees that he is not otherwise entitled to the following additional benefits without executing this Agreement:

- a. Ongoing vesting of the 40,578 outstanding hiring RSU awards which were granted October 13, 2023 which would otherwise be forfeited on the Effective Date.
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Ongoing vesting of these RSU awards will be in accordance with their original vesting dates of October 13, 2025 (20,289 units) and October 13, 2026 (20,289 units), subject to tax compliance checks, subject to tax compliance checks and if any early taxation is due before the vesting date, this will be for the Executive to pay.

- b. Ongoing pro-rata vesting of the 2024 Long-Term Cash Incentive Compensation (\$364,000) and the 2024 PC-RSUs (13,030 units) granted January 24, 2024. Vesting / release of these awards will be subject to a time pro-rating reduction (reflecting time employed in the performance period), and to the applicable performance conditions, with vesting / release on the original schedule.

For the avoidance of doubt, all other outstanding Long-Term Incentive (LTI) awards will be treated in accordance with the terms set out in the applicable award agreements, with the result that they will be forfeited on the Effective Date, with the exception of any vested but unexercised options which will be forfeited 30 days after the Effective Date.

- c. In the event the Executive is not relocated from his current residence in Colorado through a new employer by June of 2027, then Employer agrees to provide relocation benefits consistent with the U.S. Domestic Tier V Relocation Policy, to return the Executive and his family from Colorado to his former residence in California.
- d. The Executive understands and agrees that all payments or benefits made to the Executive in accordance with the Agreement shall be subject to whatever payroll taxes or other deductions that the Corporation is required to make by law. Notwithstanding anything in this Release to the contrary, in no event shall any of the benefits or payments described in the Agreement be due and owing prior to the date of the Executive's separation from the Corporation. Furthermore, payments described in the Agreement shall not be made prior to the expiration of the Revocation Period.
- e. Executive will be paid all accrued but unused vacation on the last day of his employment with the Company, even if he does not sign this Agreement.

Executive understands and agrees that he shall continue to owe fiduciary and similar duties of loyalty and confidentiality to the Company until the end of Executive's employment.

2. COBRA: Executive understands that he shall be given notice under separate cover of his right to elect to receive continuation coverage in Ball's medical and dental plans pursuant to the provisions of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, as amended ("COBRA"), at his own expense, and in all respects subject to the requirements, conditions and limitations of COBRA and such plans, which may be amended from time to time. Except as set forth above, the Executive shall not be eligible to participate or continue to participate in any Executive benefit plans or programs of Ball or any of its parents, subsidiaries or other affiliates, including, but not limited to, Ball Corporation and, shall not receive any other compensation from Ball or any of the other Releasees.

3. Conditions For Eligibility For Separation Benefits: In order for Executive to be eligible for separation benefits, as set forth in this Agreement, Executive must also agree: (1) to use reasonable diligence in performing or completing any of the duties, responsibilities, deliverables, goals, or projects assigned to Executive prior to and during the Transition Period; and (2) not to breach or violate any of Executive's obligations under this Agreement.

4. Waiver & Release: On behalf of myself and my heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, I hereby voluntarily, knowingly and willingly waive, release, and forever discharge Ball and its parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, divisions, units and operations, including without limitation, Ball Corporation, together with their respective present and former directors, officers, shareholders, Executives and agents, and each of their predecessors, successors and assigns (the "Releasees"), from any and all complaints, claims, demands, damages, obligations, promises, agreements, actions, causes of action, or suits, of whatever kind or nature, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, which against them I have ever had, now have or hereafter may have arising from the beginning of time to the time I sign this Agreement. This Agreement includes, but is not limited to, any rights or claims relating in any way to my employment relationship with Ball, or the termination thereof, any rights or claims arising under any statute or regulation, including, without limitation, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967; Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; the Civil Rights Act of 1991; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; the Executive Retirement Income Security Act of 1974; the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 ("FMLA"); the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002; the Colorado Wage Act; the Colorado Overtime and Minimum Pay Standards; the Colorado Anti-Discrimination Act; Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 24-34-401 et seq.; the Colorado Equal Pay for Equal Work Act; the Colorado Healthy Families and Workplaces Act; the Colorado Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Act; the Colorado Employment Opportunity Act; the Colorado Chance to Complete Act; the Colorado Job Application Fairness Act; the Colorado Social Media and Workplace Law; and the Colorado Privacy Law, if applicable, each as amended, or any other federal, state or local law, regulation, ordinance or common law, or under any policy, agreement, understanding or promise, written or oral, formal or informal, between Ball or any of the other Releasees and I; provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement shall affect (a) any vested Executive benefits to which I may be entitled under any tax qualified benefit plan; (b) my rights under this Agreement or (c) any rights that cannot by law be released by private agreement. I understand that this Agreement does not affect rights or claims that may arise after the date that I sign this Agreement.

5. Proprietary Information: Executive acknowledges that the Employee Proprietary Information Agreement he signed or affirmed remains in full force and effect. Executive agrees that he will continue to comply with his obligations set forth in such agreement and that Executive will hold in confidence and trust all confidential or proprietary business or technical information acquired or developed by him in connection with his employment with Ball or any predecessor company or affiliate of Ball, including trade secrets and know-how not generally known to the public, and including information received in confidence from Ball, any predecessor company or affiliate of Ball, and third parties. Executive agrees to take all reasonable precautions to ensure that such information is not disclosed to unauthorized persons or used in an unauthorized manner. Executive agrees that he shall not keep any documents or materials embodying or containing such information, and he represents that he has returned to Ball any such documents or materials that were in Executive's possession.

Notwithstanding Executive's confidentiality and non-disclosure obligations in this Agreement and otherwise, he understands that as provided by the Federal Defend Trade Secrets Act, he will not be held criminally or civilly liable under any federal or state trade-secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret made: (a) in confidence to a federal, state, or local government official,

either directly or indirectly, or to an attorney, and solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law; or (b) in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal.

6. No Publicity: Executive agrees he will not publish or post any opinion, fact, or material on the internet, podcast, social media or other similar transmission, or make any communications relating to the business or affairs of the Company. He understands that nothing in this Release Agreement: (a) is intended in any way to restrict or limit the Protected Rights set forth in this Release Agreement or to intimidate, coerce, deter, persuade, or compensate him with respect to providing, withholding, or restricting any communication whatsoever to the extent prohibited by law; (b) shall prevent him from filing an administrative charge with the EEOC or participating in an investigation or proceeding by the EEOC or any other governmental agency; or (c) shall prevent him from providing testimony or evidence if he is subpoenaed or ordered by a court or other governmental authority to do so.

7. Non-Disparagement: Parties agree that they will not make any public statement, written or verbal, in any forum or take any action in disparagement of one another. Executive understands that this Paragraph is not intended to restrict or limit in any way the Protected Rights set forth in Release Agreement.

8. Restrictive Covenants: Executive agrees and acknowledges that he was and is employed as Chief Financial Officer and the terms of the Non-Compete and Non-Solicit Agreement dated July 24, 2023 continue in full force and effect following the termination of employment.

9. No Advice Given: Executive acknowledges that Ball and the other Releasees have not provided Executive with legal, financial, tax, or other advice or information concerning the matters addressed in this Agreement. Executive understands that he is entitled to consult with an attorney or other outside advisors of his choice prior to signing this Agreement and is encouraged to do so. Executive also understands and agrees that Ball is under no obligation to offer Executive the consideration, that Executive is under no obligation to consent to the release, and that Executive has entered into this Agreement freely and voluntarily.

10. No Wrongdoing: Executive understands and agrees that Ball and the other Releasees admit no wrongdoing or liability, and in fact, expressly deny any wrongdoing or liability, in connection with Executive's employment relationship with Ball and the termination thereof.

11. Other Claims: Executive agrees not to file any suit, charge, or complaint against Releasees in any court or administrative agency with regard to any claim, demand, liability, or obligation arising out of Executive's employment with Ball or the termination thereof. Executive further represents that Executive has not filed or joined in any lawsuits, claims, charges, actions, or complaints against Ball or any of the other Releasees arising out of or relating in any way to Executive's employment with Ball, or the termination thereof, or any other matter released. Executive hereby waives any right Executive may have to become, or promise not to consent to become, a member of any class in a case in which claims are asserted against Ball or the Releasees that are related in any way to Executive's employment with or separation from Ball, and that involve events which have occurred as of the date Executive signs this Agreement. Executive also waives any and all rights Executive may otherwise have to receive notice of any class or collective action. In the event that Executive is included or identified as a member, or potential member of a class in any proceeding, Executive agrees to (a) opt out of the class at the

first opportunity afforded to Executive after learning of Executive's inclusion, or (b) refrain from opting into or otherwise participating in a collective action. In this regard, Executive agrees that Executive will execute, without objection or delay, an "opt-out" form presented to Executive in connection with such proceeding. Finally, Executive hereby affirms that Executive has been fully and properly paid for all hours worked, commissions, bonuses, incentives, vacation, and other time-off benefits and any other forms of compensation; Executive has received all leave under the FMLA to which Executive may have been entitled; Executive is not aware of any facts or circumstances constituting a violation of the FMLA, the Fair Labor Standards Act ("FLSA"), or any state statute; and to the greatest extent permitted under applicable law, Executive hereby waives and releases any and all claims under the FMLA, FLSA, and state law. Executive agrees and acknowledges that the preceding information is factually accurate, and may be used as a sworn statement of fact in any proceeding between Executive and Ball or the Releasees.

12. Executive is hereby advised to consult with an attorney before signing this Release Agreement;

13. Executive understands he has 21 days from my receipt of this Release Agreement within which to consider whether to sign it as it pertains to the OWBPA Release (as defined below). I may choose to sign this Release (including the OWBPA Release) before the expiration of the 21-day consideration period, and, if I choose to do so, I understand that I do so voluntarily. I agree that changes to this Release Agreement, whether material or immaterial, will not restart the consideration period;

14. Executive understands he has seven days following my signature of this Release Agreement to revoke the OWBPA Release; and the OWBPA Release shall not become effective or enforceable until the revocation period of seven days has expired.

If the Executive chooses to revoke the OWBPA Release, he must do so by notifying the Company in writing within the applicable revocation period. This notification must be mailed either first class or certified mail to the Chief Legal Officer, Hannah Lim-Johnson at Ball Corporation's Headquarters, 9200 W. 108th Circle, Westminster, CO 80021.

Notwithstanding any other provision or paragraph of this Release Agreement, Executive understands that by signing this Release Agreement he does not hereby waive any rights or claims: (a) for unemployment or workers' compensation, (b) that arise after I sign this Release Agreement, (c) pertaining to vested benefits under any retirement plan governed by the Executive Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), (d) for payments that may be due under the Agreement, (e) for which private waivers or releases are prohibited by applicable law, and (f) for indemnification under the Company's bylaws or the bylaws of any Company subsidiary, or under statute or any insurance or other indemnification policies, including the Company's Directors and Officers Liability Insurance policy, in respect of my service as an Executive of the Company. In addition, Executive understands that nothing in this Release Agreement shall be construed to prevent him from filing or participating in a charge of discrimination filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (the "EEOC") or any similar state or local agency, or a charge with the National Labor Relations Board (the "NLRB") or any other governmental agency, but I hereby waive any rights to any relief of any kind should the EEOC pursue any claim on my behalf. He further understands that this paragraph is not intended to restrict or limit in any way the Protected Rights set forth in this Agreement. However, by signing this Agreement, he waives the right to recover any monetary damages for any alleged injury (whether physical or emotional)

personally suffered by me, individual relief, or attorneys' fees from the Company or the Releasees in any claim, charge, or lawsuit filed by him or any other person or entity. If there is any claim for loss of consortium, or any other similar claim, arising out of or related to my employment or separation of employment with the Company, Executive agrees to indemnify and hold Releasees harmless from any liability, including costs and expenses (as well as reasonable attorneys' fees) incurred by the Releasees as a result of any such claim. Executive acknowledges and represents that: (a) he received all compensation due to him as a result of services performed for the Company with receipt of my final paycheck; (b) Executive has reported to the Company any and all work-related injuries incurred by me during my employment by the Company; (c) Executive has not engaged in any act or omission in violation of the Company's Code of Conduct; (d) Executive is not aware of any act, failure to act, practice, policy, or activity that he believes may violate the COC; (v) no one has interfered with the Executives ability to report to the Company any possible violations of the COC or any law; and (vi) he has reported to the Company any actual or suspected Code violations. Executive additionally understands and agrees that this Release is not and shall not be construed to be an admission of liability of any kind on the part any of the Releasees.

15. Future Cooperation: Executive covenants and agrees that he shall, to the extent reasonably requested by the Company, cooperate with and serve in any capacity requested by the Company in any investigation and/or threatened or pending litigation (now or in the future and including any arbitration or proceeding before any authority) in which the Company and any of its current or former officers, Executives, representatives or agents are a party, and regarding which he, by virtue of his employment or other engagement with the Company, has knowledge or information relevant to said matter, including, but not limited to (a) meeting with representatives of the Company to provide truthful information regarding my knowledge, (b) acting as the Company's representative, (c) providing, in any jurisdiction in which the Company requests, truthful testimony relevant to said litigation, and (d) providing assistance with respect to any settlement discussion and/or proceedings before any administrative, regulatory, judicial, legislative or other body or agency, provided the Company reimburses the Executive for reasonable expenses incurred in connection with such cooperation.

16. Administrative Charges: Executive understands that nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to prohibit Executive from filing a charge with or participating in any investigation or proceeding conducted by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or a comparable state or local agency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive agrees that neither Executive nor Executive's heirs, executors, administrators, successors, or assigns shall seek or be entitled to any personal recovery in any action, charge, complaint, lawsuit, or proceeding that may be commenced by Executive or on Executive's behalf arising out of the matters released.

17. Applicable Law, Severability, and General Provisions: This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Colorado, without regard to its conflict-of-law rules. Executive understands and agrees that if any one or more of the provisions of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby. Moreover, if any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall be held to be excessively broad as to duration, geography, activity, or subject, such provisions shall be construed by limiting and reducing them so as to be enforceable to the maximum extent allowed by applicable law.

18. No Admission: The Executive understands and agrees that the Corporation and the other Releasees admit no wrongdoing or liability, and in fact, expressly deny any wrongdoing or liability, in connection with the Executive's employment relationship with the Corporation and the separation therefrom.

19. No Actions: The Executive agrees not to file any causes of action, charges, complaints, claims, demands, suits, ("Actions") against Releasees in any court or administrative agency with regard to any claim, demand, liability or obligation arising out of the Executive's employment with the Corporation or the separation therefrom. The Executive further represents that he has not filed or joined in any lawsuits, claims, charges, actions or complaints against the Corporation or any of the other Releasees arising out of or relating in any way to the Executive's employment with the Corporation, or the separation therefrom, or any other matter released. The Executive hereby waives any right the Executive may have to become, or promise not to consent to become, a member of any class in a case in which claims are asserted against the Corporation and the Releasees that are related in any way to the Executive's employment with or separation from the Corporation, and that involve events which have occurred as of the date of this Release. The Executive also waives any and all rights the Executive may otherwise have to receive notice of any class or collective action. In the event that the Executive is included or identified as a member, or potential member of a class in any proceeding, the Executive agrees to (a) opt out of the class at the first opportunity afforded to the Executive after learning of the Executive's inclusion, or (b) refrain from opting into or otherwise participating in a collective action. In this regard, the Executive agrees to execute, without objection or delay, an "opt-out" form presented to the Executive in connection with such proceeding. Finally, the Executive hereby affirms to have been fully and properly paid for all hours worked, commissions, bonuses, incentives, vacation, and other time-off benefits and any other forms of compensation, to have received all leave under the FMLA to which the Executive may have been entitled, that the Executive is not aware of any facts or circumstances constituting a violation of the FMLA, the Fair Labor Standards Act ("FLSA"), or any state statute, and to the greatest extent permitted under applicable law, hereby waive and release any and all claims under the FMLA, FLSA, and state law. The Executive agrees and acknowledges that the preceding information is factually accurate, and may be used as a sworn statement of fact in any proceeding between the Executive, the Corporation, and the Releasees.

20. Certain Actions Not Prohibited: The Executive understands that nothing in the Release shall be construed to prohibit the Executive from filing a charge with or participating in any investigation or proceeding conducted by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or a comparable state or local agency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Executive agrees that neither the Executive nor the Executive's heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns shall seek or be entitled to any personal recovery in any action, charge, complaint, lawsuit or proceeding that may be commenced by the Executive or on the Executive's behalf arising out of the matters released.

21. Entire Agreement: Executive is not relying on any other agreements or oral representations not addressed in this document. Any prior agreements between or directly involving Ball and Executive are superseded by this Agreement, except Executive's obligations under agreements related to inventions, business ideas, confidentiality of corporate information, unfair competition, restrictive covenants, and arbitration, or other dispute resolution programs remain intact, including but not limited to the Executive Proprietary Information Agreement between Ball Corporation and Executive.

22. Written Modifications: Executive understands and agrees that the terms described in this Agreement may not be altered or modified other than in a writing signed by Executive and an authorized representative of Ball.

23. Successors and Assigns: This Agreement is personal to Executive and may not be assigned by Executive. This Agreement may be assigned by Ball to any successor to the business of Ball and shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon such successors and assigns. All beverage and consumer packaging subsidiaries and affiliates of Ball Corporation shall and shall be deemed to be entitled to the benefit of all obligations and duties of Executive under this Agreement as if they had signed this Agreement.

24. Waiver: The failure of either party to this Agreement to enforce any of its terms, provisions, or covenants shall not be construed as a waiver of the same or of the right of such party to enforce the same. Waiver by either party hereto of any breach or default by the other party of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be in writing and signed by both parties, and shall not operate as a waiver of any other breach or default.

25. Review & Revocation Period: The Executive acknowledges that they have twenty-one (21) calendar days from May 19, 2025 to consider the terms of this Release, although the Executive may sign it sooner if so desired. The Executive further acknowledge that once the Executive has signed this Release, the Executive has seven (7) additional calendar days from the date that the Executive signed the Release to revoke consent ("Revocation Period") by delivering written notice of revocation to: Ball Corporation Attn: Chief Legal Officer, 9200 W. 108th Circle, Westminster, CO 80021. The Executive understands that written notice of revocation must be received by the Chief Legal Officer within Revocation Period. This Release shall not be effective until the eighth day after the Executive has executed this Release and returned it to the Corporation.

26. Amendments: the Executive understands and agrees that the terms described in this Release may not be altered or modified other than in a writing signed by the Executive and an authorized representative of the Corporation.

27. Return of Release: the Executive understands and agrees that the Executive must execute and return this Release by notifying Ball Corporation Attn: Chief Legal Officer, 9200 W. 108th Circle, Westminster, CO 80021. The Executive understands that if the Executive have questions about this Release, the Executive will contact the Chief Legal Officer.

SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE

The Executive has read and fully understands this Release. The Executive voluntarily accepts and agrees to its terms.

SOLELY FOR PURPOSES OF OWBPA RELEASE:

Howard Yu

/s/ Howard Yu

Date: May 21, 2025

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES:

Howard Yu

Ball Corporation

/s/ Howard Yu

/s/ Hannah Lim-Johnson

Date: May 21, 2025

Date: May 21, 2025

Title: SVP, Chief Legal Officer

OBLIGOR GROUP SUBSIDIARIES OF BALL CORPORATION

June 30, 2025

The following is a list of Obligor Group subsidiaries of Ball Corporation (an Indiana Corporation)

Name	State or Country of Incorporation or Organization	Percentage Ownership Direct & Indirect
Ball Advanced Aluminum Technologies Corp. <i>(f/k/a Neuman USA Ltd.)</i>	Delaware	100%
Ball Asia Services Limited	Delaware	100%
Ball Beverage Can Americas Inc. <i>(f/k/a Rexam Beverage Can Americas Inc.)</i>	Delaware	100%
Ball BP Holding Company <i>(f/k/a Rexam BP Holding Company)</i>	Delaware	100%
Ball Container LLC	Delaware	100%
Ball Corporation	Nevada	100%
Ball Glass Containers, Inc.	Delaware	100%
Ball European Holdings, LLC*	Delaware	100%
Ball Holdings LLC	Delaware	100%
Ball Inc. <i>(f/k/a Rexam Inc.)</i>	Delaware	100%
Ball Metal Beverage Container Corp.	Colorado	100%
Ball Metal Container Corporation	Indiana	100%
Ball Packaging, LLC <i>(f/k/a Ball Packaging Corp., f/k/a Ball Packaging Holdings Corp.)</i>	Colorado	100%
Ball Pan-European Holdings, LLC <i>(f/k/a Ball Pan-European Holdings, Inc.)</i>	Delaware	100%
Latas De Aluminio Ball, Inc.	Delaware	100%
Rexam Beverage Can Company	Delaware	100%
USC May Verpackungen Holding Inc.	Delaware	100%

*Ball European Holdings, LLC (formerly Ball European Holdings S.à.R.L.) is a guarantor only under the company's long-term, multi-currency revolving facilities.

Certification

I, Dan W. Fisher, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Ball Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: August 5, 2025

/s/ Dan W. Fisher

Dan W. Fisher
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Certification

I, Daniel J. Rabbitt, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Ball Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: August 5, 2025

/s/ Daniel J. Rabbitt

Daniel J. Rabbitt

Senior Vice President and Interim Chief Financial Officer

**Certification of Chief Executive Officer
Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350
and Rule 13a-14(b) or Rule 15d-14(b)**

My name is Dan W. Fisher and I am the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ball Corporation (the “Company”).

I hereby certify pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes—Oxley Act of 2002 that to the best of my knowledge and belief:

- (1) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2025, filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on August 5, 2025 (“Report”), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as amended; and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of the operations of Ball Corporation as of, and for, the periods presented in the Report.

/s/ Dan W. Fisher

Dan W. Fisher
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Ball Corporation

Date: August 5, 2025

This certification, which accompanies the Form 10-Q to which it relates, is not deemed filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (whether made before or after the date of the Form 10-K), irrespective of any general incorporation language contained in such filing.

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906, or other document authenticating, acknowledging, or otherwise adopting the signature that appears in typed form within the electronic version of this written statement required by Section 906, has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

**Certification of Chief Financial Officer
Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350
and Rule 13a-14(b) or Rule 15d-14(b)**

My name is Daniel J. Rabbitt and I am the Senior Vice President and Interim Chief Financial Officer of Ball Corporation (the “Company”).

I hereby certify pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes—Oxley Act of 2002 that to the best of my knowledge and belief:

- (1) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2025, filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on August 5, 2025 (“Report”), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as amended; and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of the operations of Ball Corporation as of, and for, the periods presented in the Report.

/s/ Daniel J. Rabbitt

Daniel J. Rabbitt
Senior Vice President and Interim Chief Financial Officer
Ball Corporation

Date: August 5, 2025

This certification, which accompanies the Form 10-Q to which it relates, is not deemed filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (whether made before or after the date of the Form 10-K), irrespective of any general incorporation language contained in such filing.

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**SAFE HARBOR STATEMENT UNDER THE PRIVATE SECURITIES
LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995**

In connection with the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the Reform Act), Ball is hereby filing cautionary statements identifying important factors that could cause Ball's actual results to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements made by or on behalf of Ball. Forward-looking statements may be made in several different contexts; for example, in the company's Form 10-K, 10-Q, 8-K and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), quarterly and annual earnings news releases, quarterly earnings conference calls hosted by the company, public presentations at investor and credit conferences, the company's Annual Report and in other periodic communications with investors. As time passes, the relevance and accuracy of forward-looking statements may change; however, except as required by law, 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. You are advised to consult any further disclosures and cautionary statements Ball makes on related subjects in our Form 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K reports and other filings with the SEC. The Reform Act defines forward-looking statements as statements that express or imply an expectation or belief and contain a projection, plan or assumption with regard to, among other things, future revenues, income, earnings per share, cash flow or capital structure. Words such as "expects," "anticipates," "estimates," "believes," "targets," "likely," "foresees," "positions" and similar expressions typically identify forward-looking statements, which are generally any statements other than statements of historical fact. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, and you should therefore not place undue reliance upon such statements. Rather, these statements involve estimates, assumptions, uncertainties and known and unknown risks, many of which are outside our control, and such statements are therefore qualified in their entirety by reference to the following important factors, among others (including those described in any "Risk Factors" section of our most current Form 10-K, 10-Q or other filings with the SEC), that could cause Ball's actual results or performance to differ materially from those expressed or implied in forward-looking statements made by or on behalf of Ball:

- Fluctuation in customer and consumer growth, spending, demand or preferences, and changes in consumption patterns, both on a seasonal basis and those that may be longer-term or structural in nature, including any effect on demand for our products as a result of the enactment of laws and programs aimed at discouraging the consumption or altering the package or portion size of certain of our customers' products.
- Customer, competitor or supplier consolidation and potential correspondent supply chain influence.
- Loss of one or more major customers or suppliers or changes to contracts with one or more customers or suppliers.
- Failure to achieve anticipated productivity improvements or cost reductions including those associated with capital expenditures; failure to achieve an appropriate or optimal level of maintenance and capital expenditures; and failure to achieve expectations with respect to expansion plans, accretion to reported earnings, working capital improvements and investment income or cash flow projections.
- Changes in the environment and in climate, including the increasing frequency of severe weather events such as drought, wildfires, storms, hurricanes, tornadoes and floods; virus and disease outbreaks and responses thereto; acts of war, terrorism or other significant or catastrophic geopolitical events or natural disasters, or the catastrophic loss of one of our key manufacturing or operating facilities.
- Financial risks, including inflation and changes in interest rates affecting our debt or our ability to comply with the terms of our debt instruments; changes in the hedging markets or our inability or failure to economically hedge or insure against certain risks or potential exposures; changes in international currency exchange rates of the currencies in the countries in which the company and its joint ventures carry on business; counterparty risk; liquidity risk; inflation or deflation; and changes in capital availability and our access to financing, including the risk of constraints on financing in the event of a credit rating downgrade.

- Competition in each line of business, including with respect to pricing and the possible decrease in, or loss of, sales or margins resulting therefrom; product development and introductions by our competitors; and technology changes, including the effect on us of technological or product advances made by our competitors.
- The ability or inability to achieve and protect technological and product extensions or new technological and product advances in the company's businesses, including our ability to maintain, develop, and capitalize on competitive technologies for the design and manufacture of products and to withstand competitive and legal challenges to the proprietary nature of such technology (or protect any unpatented proprietary know-how and trade secrets).
- Ball's ability or inability adapt to fluctuating supply and demand and to have available sufficient production capacity, or have such capacity available in the right locations, in a timely manner, as well as footprint adjustments and other manufacturing changes.
- Overcapacity or undercapacity of Ball or in the metal container industry generally, and its potential impact on costs, pricing and financial results.
- Regulatory action or issues, or changes in federal, state, local or international laws, including those related to tax, environmental, health and workplace safety, including in respect of climate change, pollution, environmental, social and governance (ESG) reporting, greenhouse gas emissions, or chemicals or substances used in raw materials or in the manufacturing process, particularly concerning Bisphenol-A (BPA), a chemical used in the manufacture of epoxy coatings applied to many types of containers (including certain of those products produced by the company), as well as laws relating to recycling, unfavorable mandatory deposit or packaging legislation, or to the effects on health of ingredients or substances in, or attributes of, certain of our customers' products.
- The effect of any antitrust, intellectual property, consumer, employee or other litigation, investigations or governmental proceedings.
- The extent to which sustainability-related opportunities arise and can be capitalized upon.
- The availability and cost of raw materials, commodities, supplies, energy, logistics and natural resources needed for the production of metal containers, supply chain disruptions, widespread ocean and shipping constraints, and our ability or inability to pass on to customers changes in freight and raw material costs, particularly aluminum.
- Changes in senior management; strikes and other labor issues; increases and trends in various employee benefits and labor costs, including pension, medical and health care costs incurred in the countries in which Ball has operations; the ability to attract and retain skilled labor; rates of return projected and earned on assets and discount rates used to measure future obligations and expenses of the company's defined benefit retirement plans; and changes in the company's pension plans.
- International business and market risks and economic conditions; political and economic instability in various markets, including periodic sell-offs on global or regional debt or equity markets; restrictive trade practices of national governments; the imposition of duties, trade actions, taxes or other government charges by national governments; exchange controls; trade sanctions; and ongoing uncertainties and other effects surrounding geopolitical events and governmental policies and actions, both in the U.S. and in other countries.

- Undertaking successful or unsuccessful acquisitions, divestitures, joint ventures or strategic realignments; and the effect of acquisitions, divestitures, joint ventures or strategic realignments on our business relationships, operating results and business generally.
- The company's ability to protect its information technology network, systems and data and those of its customers and suppliers from attacks or catastrophic failure, and the strength of the company's cyber-security.
- The timing and extent of regulation or deregulation, or changes to regulations and standards, including changes in generally accepted accounting principles or their interpretation.
- Changes to unaudited results due to statutory audits of our financial statements or management's evaluation of the company's internal controls over financial reporting.
- Loss contingencies related to income and other tax matters, including those arising from audits performed by national and local tax authorities.