BALL CORP Form 4 March 28, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEWIS DONALD CLYDE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BALL CORP [BLL]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

BALL CORPORATION, 10 LONGS 03/24/2005 PEAK DR.

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

RETIRED 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

below)

10% Owner

__ Other (specify

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Applicable Line)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

Issuer

below)

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BROOMFIELD, CO 80021-2510

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/24/2005		M	3,000	A	\$ 23.745	50,670	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2005		S	1,605	D	\$ 44.36	49,065	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2005		M	6,000	A	\$ 8.9063	55,065	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2005		S	1,204	D	\$ 44.36	53,861	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2005		M	500	A	\$ 28.155	54,361	D	

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Reminder: Rej	port on a separate line for each class of secur	rities bene	eficially ov	wned d	irectly or in	directly.		
Common Stock						1,910	I	401(k) plan
Common Stock	03/24/2005	S	317	D	\$ 44.36	54,044	D	

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any Code Sometime (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) A D CI (II (II (II (II (II (II (II (II (II		Secu Acqu (A) (Disp (D) (Inst	5. Number 6. Date Exer Expiration		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.9063	03/24/2005		M		6,000	<u>(1)</u>	04/25/2005	Common Stock	6,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.745	03/24/2005		M		3,000	<u>(1)</u>	04/23/2012	Common Stock	3,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.155	03/24/2005		M		500	<u>(1)</u>	04/22/2013	Common Stock	500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

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LEWIS DONALD CLYDE BALL CORPORATION 10 LONGS PEAK DR. BROOMFIELD, CO 80021-2510

RETIRED

Signatures

By: Charles E. Baker, GenCounsel&AsstCorpSec For: Donald C. Lewis

03/28/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares exercisable beginning one year after grant in 25% increments.

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