

HOOVER R DAVID
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HOOVER R DAVID

(Last) (First) (Middle)

BALL CORPORATION, 10 LONGS
PEAK DR.

(Street)

BROOMFIELD, CO 80021-2510

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BALL CORP [BLL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/22/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
CHAIRMAN & C.E.O. BALL CORP.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|--------------|---|----------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/22/2010 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 10,000 | A | \$ 10.6125 | 244,821.6228 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/22/2010 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 10,000 | D | \$ 53.8155 | 234,821.6228 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 3,600.012 | I | 401(k) Plan ⁽³⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 146,246 | I | By Trust ⁽⁴⁾ |

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

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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) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of 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) | \$ 10.6125 | 03/22/2010 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 10,000 | ⁽⁵⁾ 03/06/2011 | Common Stock | 10,000 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HOOVER R DAVID BALL CORPORATION 10 LONGS PEAK DR. BROOMFIELD, CO 80021-2510 | X | | CHAIRMAN & C.E.O. BALL CORP. | |

Signatures

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

**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) Exercise of Stock Options in accordance with reporting person's pre-arranged 10b5-1 plan adopted by the reporting person on February 25, 2010.
- (2) Sale of stock in accordance with reporting person's pre-arranged 10b5-1 plan adopted by the reporting person on February 25, 2010.
- (3) Total number of 401(k) Plan shares includes shares acquired through periodic dividend reinvestment, participant's contributions and employer matching contributions.

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- (4) The reporting person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities in the Suzanne A. Hoover Trust.
- (5) Shares exercisable beginning one year after grant in 25% increments and thereafter annually upon the anniversary of the date of the grant of the stock option.

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