DEERE & CO Form 4 December 12, 2007

## **OMB APPROVAL**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

MARKLEY H J

Symbol

DEERE & CO [DE]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner

DEERE & COMPANY, ONE JOHN

(Street)

12/10/2007

Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title below)

**Executive Vice President** 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

**DEERE PLACE** 

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

MOLINE, IL 61265

(2)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit corr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (	` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
\$1 Par Common Stock (1) (2)	12/10/2007		M	26,050	A	\$ 34.685	109,913	D	
\$1 Par Common Stock (1)	12/10/2007		S	26,050	D	\$ 86.8268	83,863 (3)	D	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of ionDerivative 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
Market Priced Options	\$ 34.685	12/10/2007		M		26,050	<u>(5)</u>	12/08/2014	Common Stock	26,050

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MARKLEY H J DEERE & COMPANY ONE JOHN DEERE PLACE MOLINE, IL 61265

**Executive Vice President** 

## **Signatures**

/s/ Paul Wilczynski, Assistant Secretary, Deere & Company, Under Power of Attorney

12/12/2007

\*\*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) References to Deere & Company common stock include associated preferred stock rights.
- (2) Exercise of Rule 16b-3 employee stock options and related sale of shares pursuant to a Rule 10(b)5-1 option exercise plan executed on 24 May 2007.
- (3) Includes 65,905 restricted stock units granted under the John Deere Omnibus Equity and Incentive Plan to be settled solely in shares. The reporting person also indirectly owns 5,130 shares beneficially owned by his spouse.
- (4) All options include the ability to withhold shares upon the exercise of the option to satisfy income tax obligations.
- (5) The options became exercisable in three approximately equal installments on December 8, 2005, December 8, 2006 and December 8, 2007.

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