

BALL CORP
Form 8-K
April 24, 2003

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

April 24, 2003

(Date of earliest event reported)

Commission file number 1-7349

BALL CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Indiana</u>	<u>1-7349</u>	<u>35-0160610</u>
(State of Incorporation)	(Commission File No.)	(IRS Employer Identification)

10 Longs Peak Drive, P.O. Box 5000, Broomfield, CO 80021-2511
(Address of principal executive offices, including ZIP code)

(303) 469-3131
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

The information regarding Ball Corporation's (the "Company") first quarter earnings for 2003 required by Item 12, Disclosure of Results of Operations and Financial Condition, of Form 8-K is furnished hereunder in Regulation FD Disclosure.

On April 24, 2003, the Company reported first quarter earnings attributable to common shareholders of 55 cents per diluted share, on sales of \$1.07 billion, compared to \$27.5 million, or 48 cents per share, on sales of \$876 million in the first quarter of 2002. The earnings information regarding the first quarter is contained in the attached press release.

The attached press release is deemed to be furnished and not filed with the Securities & Exchange Commission.

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated April 24, 2003

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be prepared on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BALL CORPORATION
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Raymond J. Seabrook
Name: Raymond J. Seabrook
Title: Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 24, 2003

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Description

Press Release dated April 24, 2003