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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

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Symbol

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

BALL CORP [BLL]

_X__ Director

(First) (Middle) (Month/Day/Year)

10% Owner _ Other (specify Officer (give title below)

BALL CORPORATION, 10 LONGS 12/01/2004 PEAK DR.

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BROOMFIELD, CO 80021-2510

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	ed, Disposed of,	, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of (` 1	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)
Common Stock	12/01/2004		M	20,000	A	\$ 8.75	200,353	D	
Common Stock	12/01/2004		S	20,000	D	\$ 44.4529	180,353	D	
Common Stock							81,670	I	by GRAT
Common Stock							39,200	I	by Spouse (1)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration I (Month/Day	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)	\$ 8.75	12/01/2004		M	20,00	<u>(2)</u>	09/23/2008	Common Stock	20,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

X

Signatures

By: Charles E. Baker, GenCounsel&AsstCorpSec For: George A. Sissel

12/02/2004

**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).

Relationships

- (1) The reporting person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- (2) Shares exercisable beginning one year after grant in 25% increments.

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