

STIRITZ WILLIAM P  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
STIRITZ WILLIAM P

(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)  
11/12/2004

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V				
Variable Forward Contract	<u>(1)</u>	11/12/2004	<u>J</u> (1)		200,000 <u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	06/12/2012	Common Stock	200,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STIRITZ WILLIAM P BALL CORPORATION 10 LONGS PEAK DR. BROOMFIELD, CO 80021-2510		X		

## Signatures

By: Charles E. Baker, Gen Counsel & Asst Corp Sec For: William P. Stirtz 11/16/2004

         \*\*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).
- Susan Stirtz entered into a variable forward contract ("VFC") with Credit Suisse First Boston Capital LLC ("CSFBC LLC") and Credit Suisse First Boston LLC. Under the VFC, CSFBC LLC sold 200,000 shares of common stock of Ball Corp. ("Common Shares") into the public market in accordance with paragraphs (f) and (g) of Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The VFC provides
- (1) that, on June 12, 2012, Susan Stirtz will deliver a number of Common Shares to CSFBC LLC (or, at the election of Susan Stirtz, the cash equivalent of such shares) as follows: (a) if the settlement price is less than the downside floor, a delivery of 200,000 Common Shares; and (b) if the settlement price is equal to or greater than the downside floor, a delivery of between 129,870 and 200,000 Common Shares, dependent upon the settlement price.
  - (2) The reporting person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities; 200,000 of these shares are committed for use in a variable forward contract dated 11-12-04.

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