

MIDGETT LEON A  
Form 4  
March 31, 2003

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Officer

Ball Corporation

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IRS-NUMBER 35-0160610

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.  
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person(s)  
Midgett, Leon A.  
10 Longs Peak Dr.  
Broomfield, CO 80021-2510
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Ball Corporation (BLL)
3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Day/Year  
3/31/2003

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5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 EXEC. V.P., & COO PACKAGING
7. 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 | 2) Trans-<br>action<br>Date<br>(Month/<br>Day/Year) | 3. Trans-<br>action<br>Code<br>Code V | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>Amount | A<br>or<br>D | Price     |
|----------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|--------------|-----------|
| Common Stock         | 03/31/03  | M                                     | 5,000  | A            | \$22.1250 |
| Common Stock         | 03/31/03  | M                                     | 15,000   | A            | \$21.2250 |
| Common Stock         | 03/31/03  | S                                     | 20,000   | D            | \$55.6500 |
| Common Stock         |   |                                       |  |              |           |

Table II (PART 1) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1

| 1) Title of Derivative<br>Security   | 2) Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3) Trans-<br>action<br>Date | 4) Trans-<br>action<br>Code<br>Code V | 5) Number of Derivative<br>Securities Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>A<br>D |
|--------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$21.2250  | 03/31/03                    | M                                     | 15,000   |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$22.1250  | 03/31/03                    | M                                     | 5,000  |

Table II (PART 2) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1

| 1) Title of Derivative<br>Security   | 3) Trans-<br>action<br>Date | 7) Title and Amount<br>of Underlying<br>Securities<br>Title | 8) Price<br>of Deri-<br>vative<br>Security<br>Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | 03/31/03                    | Common Stock  | 15,000   |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | 03/31/03                    | Common Stock  | 5,000  |

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) Shares exercisable beginning one year after grant in 25% increments.

- Total number of Common Shares directly owned includes shares acquired through participation in Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Total number of 401(k) Plan shares includes shares acquired through reinvestment and employer matching contributions.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/S/ By: Mary L. Rose, Dir., Exec. Comp. Prog.

For: Leon A. Midgett

DATE 03/31/03