1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*
   VAN DER KAAY ERIK
   (Last) (First) (Middle)
   BALL CORPORATION
   10 LONGS PEAK DR.
   (Street)
   BROOMFIELD CO 80021-2510
   (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)
   01/28/2004

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
   BALL CORP [ BLL ]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
   (Check all applicable)
   X Director
   10% Owner
   Officer (give title below)
   Other (specify below)

5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
   X Form filed by One Reporting Person
   Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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Explanation of Responses:
No securities are beneficially owned.

By: Donald C. Lewis,
VP,Asst.CorpSec&GenCoun
02/02/2004
For: Erik H. van der Kaay
** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).


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