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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)
   Bradford, Douglas K.
   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
   3/14/2003
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
   [ ] Director   [ ] 10% Owner   [X] Officer (give title below)   [ ] Other (specify below)
   CONTROLLER
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
   [X] 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 |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Title of Security | Trans- | 4. Securities Acquired (A) | Amount of Securities Indirect Beneficially Owned at End of Month | Nature of Ownership |
| Action | Date | Code | V | A | D | Price |
| Common Stock | 03/14/03 | A | 5,500 | A | 17,295 | D | Direct |
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<th>Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1 through 6)</th>
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Table II (PART 2)  Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned  (Columns 1,3 and 7 through 11)

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<th>Date</th>
<th>Title of Derivative</th>
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Explanation of Responses:
- Total number of Common Shares directly owned includes shares acquired through participation in the Ball Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Total number of 401(k) Plan shares includes shares acquired through periodic dividend reinvestment and employer matching contributions.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/S/ By: Mary L. Rose, Dir., Exec. Comp. Prog.

For: Douglas K. Bradford

DATE 03/14/03