

BALL CORP  
Form 8-K  
April 28, 2005

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**Current Report**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(D) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**April 27, 2005**

(Date of earliest event reported)

**BALL CORPORATION**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Indiana  
(State of  
Incorporation)

1-7349  
(Commission  
File No.)

35-0160610  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

10 Longs Peak Drive, P.O. Box 5000, Broomfield, CO 80021-2510

(Address of principal executive offices, including ZIP Code)

(303) 469-3131

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On April 28, 2005, Ball Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing its first quarter earnings for 2005, which results are set forth in the press release dated April 28, 2005 and attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The earnings information regarding the first quarter, as well as the information regarding the use of non-GAAP financial measures, is set forth in the attached press release.

The information in this Report shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, (the Exchange Act) or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

**Item 5.02. Retirement of Director**

On April 27, 2005, William P. Stirtz retired from the Company's Board of Directors consistent with the Company's retirement policy for directors.

**Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws**

On April 27, 2005, the Board of Directors of the Company amended the Bylaws to decrease the number of directors from eleven to ten.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits.

The following is furnished as an exhibit to this report:

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Exhibit 99.1

Ball Corporation Press Release dated April 28, 2005

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BALL CORPORATION

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Raymond J. Seabrook

Name: Raymond J. Seabrook

Title: Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 28, 2005

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

**Description**

**Exhibit**

Press Release dated April 28, 2005

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