

DEERE & CO
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LANE ROBERT W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

DEERE & COMPANY, ONE JOHN
DEERE PLACE

(Street)

MOLINE, IL 61265

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
DEERE & CO [DE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/17/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Chairman & CEO

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
\$1 Par Common Stock <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	03/17/2005		M	23,750 A	\$ 43.979 286,941	D	
\$1 Par Common Stock <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	03/17/2005		M	47,500 A	\$ 47.362 334,441	D	
\$1 Par Common Stock <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	03/17/2005		M	18,000 A	\$ 42.69 352,441	D	
\$1 Par Common	03/17/2005		F	70,281 D	\$ 282,160 <u>(3)</u> 67.445	D	

Stock (1) (2)

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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Premium Priced Options (4)	\$ 43.979	03/17/2005		M		23,750		12/14/1998	02/28/2006	Common Stock	23,750
Premium Priced Options (4)	\$ 47.362	03/17/2005		M		47,500		12/14/1998	02/28/2006	Common Stock	47,500
Market Priced Options (4)	\$ 42.69	03/17/2005		M		18,000		12/11/1996	12/11/2006	Common Stock	18,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
LANE ROBERT W DEERE & COMPANY ONE JOHN DEERE PLACE MOLINE, IL 61265	Chairman & CEO

Signatures

/s/ James H. Becht, Secretary, Deere & Company, Under Power of Attorney

03/18/2005

__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).
- (1) References to Deere & Company common stock include associated preferred stock rights.
- (2) Exercise of Rule 16b-3 employee stock options and related delivery and withholding of shares to pay the option exercise prices and withholding taxes.
- (3) Includes 195,605 restricted stock units granted under the John Deere Omnibus Equity and Incentive Plan.
- (4) All options include the ability to withhold shares upon the exercise of the option to satisfy income tax obligations.

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