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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MCMILLAN CHARLES S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LEE SARA CORP [SLE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) THREE FIRST PLAZA, 70 W.		_	<i></i>	(Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman of the Board		
CHICAGO, IL	(Street) 60602-4260)	4. If Amendment, Date 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		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	l of (D) S) Price	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)
common stock	07/01/2005		F	10,915 (1)	D	\$ 19.74	617,797 (2)	D	
common stock							6,674 <u>(3)</u>	I	By trust for children
common stock							8,065	I	By 401(k) Plan

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	J
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	reductionships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MCMILLAN CHARLES S						
THREE FIRST NATIONAL PLAZA	v		Chairman of the Board			
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Signatures

70 W. MADISON STREET CHICAGO, IL 60602-4260

/s/ Helen N. Kaminski For C. Steven McMillan pursuant to power of attorney previously filed.

07/06/2005

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**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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) Represents shares of common stock withheld by Sara Lee to satisfy the reporting person's tax liability incurred upon the vesting of restricted stock units.
- (2) Includes 427,346 restricted stock units that may be settled only for shares of common stock. Restricted stock units generally vest one to five years after the grant date and, upon vesting, are convertible into shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) The reporting person disclaims ownership of shares held by family members.

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