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FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *\bigsep VAN LEDE CORNELIS J A | | Symb | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| | | | SARA CORP [SLE] | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| (Last) | (First) (I | | e of Earliest Transaction h/Day/Year) | | _X_ Director | 10% | Owner |
| VELPERWEG 76, NL-6824 BM ARNHEM | | | 0/2006 | Officer (give below) | title Other below) | er (specify | |
| (Street) | | | mendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| | | Filed(| Month/Day/Year) | | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by 0 | One Reporting Pe | rcon |
| NETHERL | ANDS, P7 00000 | | | | | More than One Re | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | able I - Non-Derivative Se | ecurities 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, any (Month/Day/Yea | Code (Instr. 3, 4 a | osed of (D) | 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) |
| ctoolr | 06/30/2006 | | F 780 (1) |) ^φ | 13,346 <u>(2)</u> | D | |

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)

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| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exer | cisable and | 7. Titl | e and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|------------------|-------------|---------|----------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | onNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | nt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security | Secur |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivativ | e | | Securi | ities | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | 3 | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
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| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | | | or | | |
| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | Title | Number | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable Date | Date | | of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| 1 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| VAN LEDE CORNELIS J A VELPERWEG 76 NL-6824 BM ARNHEM NETHERLANDS, P7 00000 | X | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Helen N. Kaminski For Cornelis J.A. van Lede pursuant to power of attorney previously filed.

07/05/2006

**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).
- 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.
- Includes 7,191 RSUs that may be settled only for shares of common stock. RSUs vest one year after the grant date and, on the settlement (2) date, are convertible into shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis. The settlement date is either three years after the date of grant, for RSUs granted before July 2005, and six months after the reporting person ceases to be a director of Sara Lee, for other RSUs.

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