

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Israel James

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
ONE JOHN DEERE PLACE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/10/2007

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

President, John Deere Credit

(Street)  
MOLINE, IL 61265

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)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |                                   |
| \$1 Par Common Stock (1) (2)    | 12/10/2007                           |  | M                              |   | 10,752 A \$ 34.685  | 33,914   | D                                 |
| \$1 Par Common Stock (1) (2)    | 12/10/2007                           |  | S                              |   | 10,752 D \$ 86.39   | 23,162 (3)   | 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)

| 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Market Priced Options (2) (4)              | \$ 34.685  | 12/10/2007                           |  | M                              | 10,752  | (5) 12/08/2014   | Common Stock  | 10,752                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                           | Relationships |           |                              |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                      | Other |
| Israel James<br>ONE JOHN DEERE PLACE<br>MOLINE, IL 61265 |               |           | President, John Deere Credit |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Paul Wilczynski, Assistant Secretary, Deere & Company, Under Power of Attorney 12/12/2007

\*\*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 sale of shares pursuant to a Rule 10(b)5-1 option exercise plan executed on 4 June 2007.
- (3) Includes 23,162 restricted stock units granted under the John Deere Omnibus Equity and Incentive Plan to be settled solely in shares.
- (4) All options include the ability to withhold shares upon the exercise of the option to satisfy income tax obligations.
- (5) The options became exercisable in three approximately equal installments on December 8, 2005, December 8, 2006 and December 8, 2007.

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