

LEE SARA CORP
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 DEKOOL L M THEO

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THREE FIRST NATIONAL
 PLAZA, 70 W. MADISON STREET

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60602-4260

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 LEE SARA CORP [SLE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/31/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive Vice President, CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or Price (D)		
Common Stock	08/31/2006		A		39,988 (1)	A	
Common Stock					\$ 16.63		
					387,704 (2)	D	
					944	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 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 16.63	08/31/2006		A	135,960	08/31/2009 ⁽³⁾ 08/31/2016	Common Stock 135

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DEKOOL L M THEO THREE FIRST NATIONAL PLAZA 70 W. MADISON STREET CHICAGO, IL 60602-4260			Executive Vice President, CFO	

Signatures

/s/ Helen N. Kaminski For L.M. (Theo) de Kool pursuant to power of attorney previously filed. 09/05/2006

**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).
- (1) Award of a restricted stock unit ("RSU") that may be settled only for shares of common stock. 50% of the RSU will vest on August 31, 2009, subject to the reporting person's continued employment with Sara Lee through that date. The remaining 50% of the RSU will vest on August 31, 2009 if and to the extent certain predetermined performance targets have been achieved. Depending upon the performance achieved, the reporting person could receive up to 150% of the total shares covered by the RSU. Performance targets relate to the cumulative growth in Sara Lee's diluted EPS relative to its peer companies.
- (2) Includes 270,362 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) Option vests in full on August 31, 2009, subject to the reporting person's continued employment with Sara Lee through that date.
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