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### FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(City)

(State)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement DEERE & CO [DE] Kalathur Rajesh (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) DEERE & COMPANY, ONE (Check all applicable) JOHN DEERE PLACE (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director \_X\_\_ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Sr. VP and CFO Person MOLINE, ILÂ 61265 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(Zip)

#### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â \$1 Par Common Stock 0 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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D)	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Market Priced Employee Stock Options (1) (2)	12/11/2003	12/11/2012	Common Stock	2,258	\$ 22.9	D	Â
Market Priced Employee Stock Options (1) (2)	12/10/2004	12/10/2013	Common Stock	4,672	\$ 30.82	D	Â
Market Priced Employee Stock Options (1) (2)	12/08/2005	12/08/2014	Common Stock	4,860	\$ 34.685	D	Â
Market Priced Employee Stock Options (1) (2)	12/07/2006	12/07/2015	Common Stock	4,366	\$ 34.44	D	Â
Market Priced Employee Stock Options (1) (2)	12/06/2007	12/06/2016	Common Stock	5,816	\$ 48.375	D	Â
Market Priced Employee Stock Options (1) (2)	12/05/2008	12/05/2017	Common Stock	4,519	\$ 88.82	D	Â
Market Priced Employee Stock Options (1) (2)	12/17/2009	12/17/2018	Common Stock	11,133	\$ 39.665	D	Â
Market Priced Employee Stock Options (1) (2)	12/09/2010	12/09/2019	Common Stock	12,151	\$ 52.25	D	Â
Market Priced Employee Stock Options (1) (2)	12/08/2011	12/08/2020	Common Stock	7,379	\$ 80.61	D	Â
Market Priced Employee Stock Options (1) (2)	12/14/2012	12/14/2021	Common Stock	7,996	\$ 74.24	D	Â

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Kalathur Rajesh					
DEERE & COMPANY	â	Â	Sr. VP and CFO	Â	
ONE JOHN DEERE PLACE	А	A	A SI. VF allu CFO	А	
MOLINE, IL 61265					

## **Signatures**

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

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) All options include the ability to withhold shares upon the exercise of the option to satisfy minimum required income tax obligations.
- (2) The options become exercisable in three approximately equal annual installments one, two and three years after grant. The date listed is the initial exercisable installment date.

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