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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HOPSON JAMES W</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O LEE ENTERPRISES INC</u> <u>215 N MAIN ST STE 400</u>  (Street) <u>DAVENPORT IA 52801</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>LEE ENTERPRISES INC [ LEE ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) X <b>Vice President - Publishing</b>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>08/07/2003</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of 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

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	08/07/2003		F		332	D	\$36.87	7,983 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option	\$27.8125	08/07/2003		A		25,000		08/17/2000 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/17/2010	Common Stock	\$27.8125	\$27.8125	25,000	D	
Employee Stock Option	\$25.938	08/07/2003		A		20,000		11/14/2000 <sup>(2)</sup>	11/14/2010	Common Stock	\$25.938	\$25.938	20,000	D	
Employee Stock Option	\$35.46	08/07/2003		A		20,000		11/14/2001 <sup>(2)</sup>	11/14/2011	Common Stock	\$35.46	\$35.46	20,000	D	
Employee Stock Option	\$32.49	08/07/2003		A		20,000		11/13/2002 <sup>(2)</sup>	11/13/2012	Common Stock	\$32.49	\$32.49	20,000	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- \*Includes 200 shares purchased under the Issuer's ESPP and dividend reinvestment, all of which have been purchased since the Reporting Persons last Section 16(a) filing.
- \*\*These securities become exercisable as follows: 30% upon the first anniversary date of the grant; 60% upon the second anniversary date of the grant; and 100% upon the third anniversary date of the grant.

Edmund H. Carroll, Jr., Lmtd. 08/11/2003  
POA, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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