OMB APPROVAL UNITED STATES OMB Number: 3235-0101 SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Expires: August 31, 2003 Washington, D.C. 20549 Estimated average burden hours per response...2.0 FORM 144 NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALE OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 SEC USE ONLY DOCUMENT SEQUENCE NO. ATTENTION: Transmit for filing 3 copies of this form CUSIP NUMBER concurrently with either placing an order with a WORK LOCATION broker to execute sale directly with a market maker (a) NAME OF INSURER (Please type or print) 1. Lee Enterprises, Incorporated (b) IRS IDENT. NO. 42-0823980 S.E.C. FILE NO. (C) 1 - 6227ADDRESS OF ISSUER STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE (d) 215 N. Main Street, Davenport, Iowa 52801 (e) TELEPHONE (563)383-2100 (a) NAME OF PERSON FOR WHOSE ACCOUNT THE SECURITIES ARE TO BE SOLD 2. Gregory P. Schermer (b) IRS IDENT. NO. (C) RELATIONSHIP TO ISSUER Officer/Director (d) ADDRESS STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE c/o  $\$ 215 N. Main Street, Davenport, IA 52801 ----. ---------INSTRUCTION: The person filing this notice should contact the issuer to obtain the I.R.S. Identification Number and the S.E.C. File Number. (a) Title of Class of Securities To Be Sold З. Common Stock \$2.00 par value (b) Name and Address of Each Broker Through whom the Securities Are To Be Offered or Each Market Maker who is Acquiring the Securities BNYESI & CO., Inc., 1633 Broadway, 48th Fl., New York, NY 10019 ..... SEC USE ONLY Broker Dealer File Number (c) Number of Shares or Other Units To Be Sold (See instr. 3(c)) 6.774 (d) Aggregate Market Value (See instr. 3(d)) \$234,380,40 Number of Shares or Other Units Outstanding (See instr. 3 (e)) (e) 34,776,121 (f) Approximate Date of Sale (See instr. 3 (f))(MO. DAY YR) 4-25-03 (g) Name of Each Securities Exchange (See instr. 3 (g)) NYSE \_\_\_\_\_ INSTRUCTIONS: (a) Name of issuer 1. Issuer's I.R.S. Identification Number Issuer's S.E.C. file number, if any (b) (c) Issuer's address, including zip code (d) (e) Issuer's telephone number, including area code Name of person for whose account the securities are to be sold 2. (a) Such person's I.R.S. identification number, if such person is an (b) entity Such person's relationship to the issuer (e.g., officer, director, 10% stockholder, or member of immediate family of any of the foregoing) Such person's address, including zip code (c) (d) 3. (a)Title of the class of securities to be sold Name and Address of each broker through whom the securities are (b) intended to be sold Number of shares or other units to be sold (if debt securities, give (c) the aggregate face amount) (d) Aggregate market value of the securities to be sold as of a specified date within 10 days prior to the filing of this notice Number of shares or other units of the class outstanding, or if debt (e)

securities, the face amount thereof outstanding, as shown by the most recent report of statement published by the issuer

Approximate date on which the securities are to be sold (f) Name of each securities exchange, if any, on which the securities are (g)

# intended to be sold

#### TABLE I - SECURITIES TO BE SOLD Furnish the following information with respect to the acquisition of the securities to be sold

Aurhish the following information with respect to the acquisition of the securities to be sold and with respect to the payment of all of any part of the purchase price or other consideration therefor:						
Title of the Class	Date you Acquired	Nature of Acquisition Transaction	Name of Person from Whom Acquired (if gift, also give date donor acquired)	Amount of Securities Acquired	Date of Payment	Nature of Payment
Common Stock \$2.00 par value	11-1-94	Stock Option Grant Under Long Term Incentive Plan	Lee Enterprises, Incorporated	Stock Options for 474 shares	4-25-03	Cashless Exercise \$16.625 per share
Common Stock \$2.00 par value	11-8-95	Stock Option Grant Under Long Term Incentive Plan	Lee Enterprises, Incorporated	Stock Options for 1,350 shares	4-25-03	Cashless Exercise \$19.8125 per share
Common Stock \$2.00 par value	10-28-96	Stock Option Grant Under Long Term Incentive Plan	Lee Enterprises, Incorporated	Stock Options for 900 shares	4-25-03	Cashless Exercise \$21.50 per share
Common Stock \$2.00 par value	11-4-97	Stock Option Grant Under Long Term Incentive Plan	Lee Enterprises, Incorporated	Stock Options for 1,050 shares	4-25-03	Cashless Exercise \$26.625 per share
Common Stock \$2.00 par value	11-16-98	Stock Option Grant Under Long Term Incentive Plan	Lee Enterprises, Incorporated	Stock Options for 3,000 shares	4-25-03	Cashless Exercise \$27.188 per share

### INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. If the securities were purchased and full payment therefor was not made in cash at the time of purchase, explain in the table or in a note thereto the nature of the consideration given. If the consideration consisted of any note or other obligation, or if payment was made in installments describe the arrangement and state when the note or other obligation was discharged in full or the last installment paid.
- If within two years after the acquisition of the securities the person for whose account they are to be sold had any short positions, put or other option to dispose of securities referred to in paragraph (d)(3) of Rule 144, furnish full information with respect thereto. 2.

## TABLE II - SECURITIES TO BE SOLD DURING THE PAST 3 MONTHS Furnish the following information as to all securities of the issuer sold during the past 3 months by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold. \_\_\_\_\_ Name and Address of Seller Title of Securities Sold Date of Sale Amount of Securities Sold Gross Proceeds \_\_\_\_\_ Gregory P. Schermer None

REMARKS:

INSTRUCTIONS: See the definition of "person" in paragraph (a) of Rule 144. Information is to be given not only as to the person for whose account the securities are to be sold but also as to all other persons included in that definition. In addition, information shall be given as to sales by all persons whose sales are required by paragraph (e) of Rule 144 to be aggregated with sales for the account of the person filing this notice.

ATTENTION: The person for whose account the securities to which this notice neuron this notice that he does not know any material adverse information in regard to the current and prospective operations of the Issuer of the securities to be sold which has not been publicly disclosed. The notice shall be signed by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold. At least one copy of this notice shall be manually signed. Any copies not manually signed shall bear typed or printed signatures.

April 24, 2003 DATE OF NOTICE

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/s/Gregory P. Schermer SIGNATURE

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Intentional misstatements or omission of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)