

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

( ) Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person  
Gottlieb, Richard D.  
Lee Enterprises, Incorporated  
400 Putnam Bldg.  
Davenport, IA 52801  
USA
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Lee Enterprises, Incorporated  
LEE ENT
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year  
12/31/99
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  
(X) Director ( ) 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) ( ) Other  
(specify below)  
Chairman and CEO
7. 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	2. Transaction Date	3. Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	A/D	Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock	10/28/99	F	V 909	D	\$29.313		D	
Common Stock	11/10/99	A	V 4,000	A	\$29.938		D	
Common Stock	12/21/99	G	V 4,000	D		67,371		
Common Stock	12/21/99	G	V 1,500	A			I	
Common Stock	12/21/99	G	V 1,500	D		800	I	By Spouse*
Common Stock						9,845	I	*By Daughter in Trust*
Common Stock	12/21/99	G	V 600	A		5,362	I	By Daughter"
Class B Common Stock	12/21/99	J	* 996	A		64,958	I	
Class B Common Stock						21,360	I	By Spouse*
Class B Common Stock						3,957	I	By Daughter*
Class B Common Stock						2,100	I	By Daughter in Trust*

Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date	4. Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Date Exercisable Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities Title and Number of Shares	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	10. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$11				** 11/7/00	Common Stock 50,300		50,300	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$11				** 11/19/01	Common Stock 80,000		80,000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$15.5625				** 11/17/02	Common Stock 60,000		60,000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$16				** 11/2/03	Common Stock 35,600		35,600	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$16.625				** 10/31/04	Common Stock 40,000		40,000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$19.8125				** 11/7/05	Common Stock 40,000		40,000	D	

Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$20.875					**	11/7/ 00	Common Stock	7,906		7,906	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$21.50					**	10/27/ 06	Common Stock	20,000		20,000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$28.8125					**	11/8/ 00	Common Stock	1,794		1,794	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$26 5/8					**	11/3/ 07	Common Stock	25,000		25,000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$27.188					**	11/15/ 08	Common Stock	17,500		17,500	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$29.938	11/10/ 99	A	V	25,000	A	**	11/9/ 09	Common Stock	25,000	25,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

\* The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owners of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose. One of the Reporting Person's daughters is no longer a dependent and her holdings have been deleted from reporting with this 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.

\*\*\* Distribution from Reporting Person's grantor annuity trust by the non-affiliated trustee of shares contributed by Reporting Person.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/ Richard D. Gottlieb

DATE

2/1/00