

VAN LEDE CORNELIS J A  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
VAN LEDE CORNELIS J A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SARA LEE  
CORPORATION, 3500 LACEY  
ROAD

(Street)

DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Sara Lee Corp [SLE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/11/2012

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/11/2012		S	7,003 D	\$ 21.47 (1)	63,853 (2) (3) (4)	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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
VAN LEDE CORNELIS J A C/O SARA LEE CORPORATION 3500 LACEY ROAD DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Helen N. Kaminski for Cornelis J.A. van Lede, pursuant to power of attorney previously filed.

05/14/2012

\_\_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) The price reported is the weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from 21.4701 to 21.4711, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the SEC, the issuer and any security holder full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which the shares were sold.
  - (2) Includes 60,441 RSUs that may be settled only for shares of common stock. RSUs generally vest one year after the grant date and, on the settlement date, are convertible into shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis. The settlement date is six months after the reporting person ceases to be a director of Sara Lee.
  - (3) Includes 648 RSUs acquired in the company's dividend reinvestment plan with accrued dividend equivalents.
  - (4) Includes 33 shares acquired as a participant in a dividend reinvestment plan.

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