

May John C II  
Form 4  
August 22, 2017

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
May John C II

(Last) (First) (Middle)

DEERE & COMPANY, ONE JOHN  
DEERE PLACE

(Street)

MOLINE, IL 61265

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
DEERE & CO [DE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/22/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

President, Ag Solutions & CIO

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<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)     | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| \$1 Par<br>Common<br>Stock <sup>(1)</sup> | 08/22/2017                              |                                                             | M                                    | 12,013 A                                                                | \$ 79.24 41,347                                                                                                    | D                                                                       |                                                                   |
| \$1 Par<br>Common<br>Stock <sup>(1)</sup> | 08/22/2017                              |                                                             | S                                    | 12,013 D                                                                | \$ 116.7262 29,334 <sup>(3)</sup><br><sup>(2)</sup>                                                                | 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)

| 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. Date of Acquisition or Disposition (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Market Priced Options (1) (4)              | \$ 79.24                                               | 08/22/2017                           |                                                    | M                              | 12,013                                                                                  | (5) 12/09/2015                                           | Common Stock                                                  | 12,013                                                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                               | Relationships                                                     |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| May John C II<br>DEERE & COMPANY<br>ONE JOHN DEERE PLACE<br>MOLINE, IL 61265 | Director 10% Owner Officer Other<br>President, Ag Solutions & CIO |

## Signatures

/s/ Paul Wilczynski, Assistant Secretary, Deere & Company, Under Power of Attorney 08/22/2017

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) Exercise of Rule 16b-3 options and related sales of shares pursuant to a Rule 10(b)5-1 stock option exercise plan adopted on June 6, 2017.  
The sale price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$116.50 to \$116.97, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.
- (2) Includes 14,070 restricted stock units granted under the John Deere Omnibus Equity and Incentive Plan to be settled solely in shares. Units include the ability to have shares withheld to satisfy income tax obligations.
- (3) All options include the ability to withhold shares upon the exercise of the option to satisfy income tax obligations.
- (4) The option became exercisable on December 9, 2016.

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