DEERE & CO Form 4 February 23, 2017

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ALLEN SAMUEL R			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol DEERE & CO [DE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(		
DEERE & CO, ONE JOHN DEERE PLACE		N DEERE	(Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2017	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman & CEO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)		
MOLINE, IL 61265			Thea(Mohili Day Tea)	_X_Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person		

MOLINE, IL 01203			Person							
(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or TransactionDisposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
¢1 D			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(msu. 4)		
\$1 Par Common Stock (1)	02/22/2017		M	28,808	A	\$ 88.82	299,595.5172	D		
\$1 Par Common Stock (1)	02/22/2017		S	23,589	D	\$ 109.3041 (2)	276,006.5172	D		
\$1 Par Common Stock (1)	02/22/2017		S	5,219	D	\$ 109.8156 (3)	270,787.5172 (4)	D		
\$1 Par Common							47,203	I	By LLC	

Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Market Priced Options	\$ 88.82	02/22/2017		M	28,808	<u>(6)</u>	12/05/2017	Common Stock	28,808

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ALLEN SAMUEL R DEERE & CO ONE JOHN DEERE PLACE MOLINE, IL 61265

Chairman & CEO

# **Signatures**

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

02/23/2017

\*\*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 employee stock options and related sale of shares pursuant to a Rule 10(b)5-1 stock option exercise plan adopted on December 5, 2016.
- (2) The sale price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$108.77 to \$109.76, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the U.S.

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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.

- The sale price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$109.77 to \$109.88, 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.
- (4) Includes 141,524 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.
- (5) All options include the ability to withhold shares upon the exercise of the option to satisfy income tax obligations.
- (6) The options became exercisable in three approximately equal installments on December 5, 2008, 2009 and 2010.

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