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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BLOCK JOHN R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DEERE & CO [DE]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) ((3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004			_X_ Director Officer (gibelow)	109	% Owner ner (specify			
(City)	(State)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution D any (Month/Day	d 3. Date, if Transac Code	4. SecutionAcquire	rities ed (A) o ed of (D , 4 and (A) or	or))	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 Indirect		

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		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4.	5. Number of or Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise	(Month/Day/Tear)	any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or	•	

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	Derivative Security				Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0 (1)	12/31/2004	A		235.215		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	235.215

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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Signatures

/s/ James H. Becht, Secretary, Deere & Company, Under Power of Attorney 01/03/2005

**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 security converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The phantom stock units were accrued under the Issuer's Nonemployee Director Deferred Compensation Plan and are to be settled solely in cash beginning in the calendar year following the reporting person's retirement from the Issuer's Board.
- The reported holdings of phantom stock units include units acquired in dividend reinvestment transactions that are exempt from line-item (3) reporting. As of the transaction date, the reporting person directly beneficially owned 11,883 \$1 par common shares of the Issuer. 11,283 of such shares are restricted shares acquired under the Issuer's Nonemployee Director Stock Ownership Plan.

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