

Sara Lee Corp
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BARNES BRENDA C

(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)
03/31/2009

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)
Chair & CEO

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 or Price (A) or (D)		
common stock	03/31/2009		P		100 \$ 8.15	I	By son
common stock	04/13/2009		S ⁽¹⁾		100 \$ 8.71	I	By son
common stock					796,241 ⁽²⁾	D	
common stock					1,795	I	By 401(k) Plan

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BARNES BRENDA C C/O SARA LEE CORPORATION 3500 LACEY ROAD DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515	X		Chair & CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Helen N. Kaminski, for Brenda C. Barnes pursuant to power of attorney previously filed.

04/20/2009

__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).

The sale of shares on April 13, 2009 by the reporting person's son was matchable under Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 with the reporting person's purchase of shares on February 25, 2009 (to the extent of 100 shares purchased on that date) at prices of

(1) \$8.02 and \$8.03 per share, which were the lowest purchase prices of any purchases made by the reporting person within six months of the reported sale. The reporting person has paid \$68.80 to Sara Lee Corporation, which represents the full amount of profit realized in connection with the short-swing transaction.

(2) Includes 532,320 restricted stock units (RSUs) that may be settled only for shares of common stock. RSUs generally vest one to five years after the grant date and, upon vesting, are convertible into shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis. RSUs vest either based on the reporting person's continued employment through the vesting period, or to the extent predetermined performance targets are achieved.

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