

Sara Lee Corp  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**WARD JONATHAN P**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O LAZARD FRERES & CO.  
LLC, 191 S. LASALLE, 31ST  
FLOOR**

(Street)

**CHICAGO, IL 60603**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**06/29/2007**

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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
phantom stock	\$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>	06/29/2007	A		342.897 <sup>(2)</sup>		<sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	common stock	342.897

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WARD JONATHAN P C/O LAZARD FRERES & CO. LLC 191 S. LASALLE, 31ST FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60603	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Helen N. Kaminski For Jonathan P. Ward pursuant to power of attorney previously filed.

07/23/2007

\_\_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 phantom stock units will convert into shares of Sara Lee common stock on a one-for-one basis.  
Represents director fees deferred and dividend reinvestment credits accrued in the reporting person's account in the Sara Lee Corporation
- (2) Non-Employee Director Compensation Program. Shares units were acquired on March 30, 2007 at a price of \$16.89 per share and on June 29, 2007 at a price of \$17.47 per share. Share units will be settled only for shares of Sara Lee common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) The reporting person will receive shares of Sara Lee common stock, on a one-for-one basis, at a future date(s) specified by him pursuant to the deferred compensation plan.

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