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# FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * May John C II			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol DEERE & CO [DE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
DEERE & COMPANY, ONE JOHN DEERE PLACE			12/11/2017	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				President, Ag Solutions & CIO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
MOLINE, II	. 61265			_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 Acquire TransactiorDisposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or Code V Amount (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial (D) Ownership irect (Instr. 4)	
\$1 Par Common Stock (1)	12/11/2017		M	11,661	A	\$ 79.24	42,560	D	
\$1 Par Common Stock (1)	12/11/2017		S	11,661	D	\$ 151.0705 (2)	30,899	D	
\$1 Par Common Stock (1)	12/11/2017		M	9,174	A	\$ 88.185	40,073	D	
\$1 Par Common	12/11/2017		S	9,174	D	\$ 151.0705	30,899 (3)	D	

Stock (1) (2)

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 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	\$ 79.24	12/11/2017		M	11,661	<u>(5)</u>	12/09/2025	Common Stock	11,661
Market Priced Options	\$ 88.185	12/11/2017		M	9,174	<u>(6)</u>	12/10/2024	Common Stock	9,174

# **Reporting Owners**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

May John C II DEERE & COMPANY ONE JOHN DEERE PLACE MOLINE, IL 61265

President, Ag Solutions & CIO

### **Signatures**

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

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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## **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 \$150.62 to \$151.58, 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.
- (3) Includes 9,642 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.
- (4) All options include the ability to withhold shares upon the exercise of the option to satisfy income tax obligations.
- (5) The options became exercisable on December 9, 2017.
- (6) The options became exercisable on December 10, 2017.

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