

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

(X) Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
 Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 Van Strydonck, John
 1000 Penny Ln.
 Rapid City, SD 57702
 USA
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Lee Enterprises, Incorporated
 LEE ENT
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
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4. Statement for Month/Year
 1/97
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other
 (specify below)
 Chairman of NAPP Systems, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Lee Enterprises,
 Incorporated
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Transaction Date	3. Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Amount	A/D	Price			
Common Stock						5,616	D	

Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date	4. Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	10. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$15.5625				* 11/9/99	Common stock 6,000	\$15.5625	6,000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$11				* 11/19/01	Common Stock 2,400	\$11	2,400	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$15.5625				* 11/17/02	Common Stock 9,420	\$15.5625	9,420	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$16				* 11/2/03	Common Stock 4,000*	\$16	4,000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$16.625				* 11/1/04	Common stock 5,000*	\$16.625	5,000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$19.8125				* 11/7/05	Common Stock 4,400*	\$19.8125	4,400	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$21.50				* 11/7/06 ^	Common Stock 3,000	\$21.50	3,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

* These securities become exercisable as follows: 30% upon the first anniversary date of the grant; 60% upon the second anniversary date of the grant; and 100% upon the third anniversary date of the grant.

^ The Reporting Person's December 10, 1996 Form 4 contained a scrivener's error in the reporting of the expiration date of the 11/8/96 grant of 3,000 options to purchase the Company's common stock as 11/7/96; the correct date is 11/7/06.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/ John Van Strydonck

DATE

1/7/97