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SECURITIES

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BOWLES CRANDALL CLOSE**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

DEERE & CO [DE]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Check all applicable)

C/O THE WHITE HOMESTEAD, 1042 W. HWY 160

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

09/30/2016

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

FORT MILL, SC 29715

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise

any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

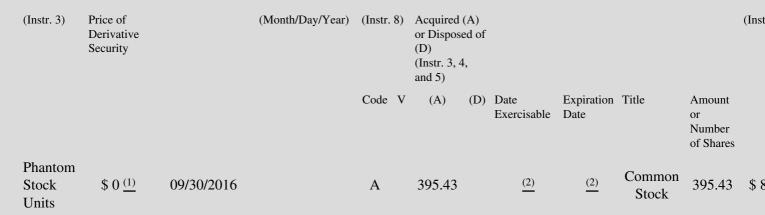
6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BOWLES CRANDALL CLOSE C/O THE WHITE HOMESTEAD 1042 W. HWY 160 FORT MILL, SC 29715

X

Signatures

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

10/03/2016

**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 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 separation from service with the Issuer.

The reported holdings of phantom stock units include units acquired in dividend reinvestment transactions that are exempt from the line-item reporting. The reporting person also directly beneficially owns 22,716 \$1 par common shares of the Issuer and 14,724 restricted stock units. The stock units and 19,916 of the shares are restricted units and shares acquired under the Issuer's Nonemployee Stock Ownership Plan.

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