#### **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT** 

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: May 11, 2004 (Date of earliest event reported)

### DEERE & COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-4121 (Commission File Number)

36-2382580 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

One John Deere Place Moline, Illinois 61265 (Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(309)765-8000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)



Deere & Company One John Deere Place Moline, IL 61265 USA Phone: 309-765-8000 www.deere.com

#### DEERE EARNINGS CONFERENCE CALL TO BE BROADCAST ON WEBSITE

MOLINE, IL (May 11, 2004) -- Deere & Company today said its second-quarter earnings conference call would be broadcast over the Internet on Tuesday, May 18, beginning at 9:00 a.m. CDT. During the call, the company's financial and operating performance will be discussed with analysts, investors and other members of the financial community.

The conference call can be accessed at *www.deere.com/confcall*. An archived version will be available on the Deere website for a period of time afterward.

The Deere earnings release, and other financial information referred to in the conference call, can be accessed at www.deere.com/financialreports.

John Deere is the world's most foremost producer of agricultural equipment as well as a leading manufacturer of construction, forestry, and commercial and consumer equipment. The company also provided credit, special technology, and managed health-care products and services.

# **Signature**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereto duly authorized.

**DEERE & COMPANY** 

By: /s/ JAMES H. BECHT

James H. Becht Secretary

Dated: May 11, 2004