

DAY THOMAS R  
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 \*  
DAY THOMAS R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/[HRL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1 HORMEL PLACE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/07/2013

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Group Vice President

AUSTIN, MN 55912  
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	01/07/2013		M		24,000	A	\$ 15.035
Common Stock	01/07/2013		M		12,000	A	\$ 16.37
Common Stock	01/07/2013		F		16,242	D	\$ 34.31
Common Stock	01/07/2013		F		6,793	D	\$ 34.31
Common Stock	01/07/2013		G		12,965	D	\$ 0

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Common Stock	01/07/2013	G	12,965	A	\$ 0	12,965	I	Thomas R. Day Rev. Living Trust
Common Stock						23,432	I	Spouse's Rev. Living Trust
Common Stock						8,583.5814	I	401(k)Plan
Common Stock						8,221.5701	I	JEPST Plan
Common Stock						2,069.3079	I	Deferred Stock Account

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 Derivative 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.035	01/07/2013		M	24,000	<u>(1)</u> 12/07/2014	Common Stock	24,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.37	01/07/2013		M	12,000	<u>(2)</u> 12/06/2015	Common Stock	12,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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1 HORMEL PLACE  
AUSTIN, MN 55912

Group Vice President

## Signatures

Thomas R. Day, by Power of  
Attorney

01/08/2013

\_\_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 option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vested on December 7, 2005.
- (2) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vested on December 6, 2006.

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