GOETTSCH DENNIS B

Form 4

December 04, 2002

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
			(Check all applicable)
			_ Director
Name and Address of Reporting Person *			_ 10% Owner
Goettsch, Dennis B (Last) (First) (Middle)	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	4. Statement for (Month/Day/Year)	X Officer (give title below)
(East) (First) (Windle)	Hormel Foods Corporation HRL	December, 2002	_ Other (specify below)
1 Hormel Place (Street)			Vice President
(Silect)	3. I.R.S. Identification		
Austin, MN 55912 (City) (State) (Zip)	Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)	7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
()		/	X 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 (Month/Day/	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/ Year)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	Owned Following	Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Common Stock							476	D	
Common Stock		Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	1,292	I	401(k) Trust
Common Stock							1,219	I	JEPST Trust
Common Stock							325	I	Founders Fund

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

	2.			4. Transs Code (Instr.	acti	5. Numof Derivat Securiti Acquire (A) or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)	ive es ed	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			Securities Repeticially	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Securities:			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Derivative	Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/ Year)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Direct (D) of or Indirect (I) O	11. N of Inc Bene Own (Instr
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$22.35	12-2-02		A		10,000		(1)	12-2-12	Common Stock	10,000	\$22.35	10,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$12.375								1-11-05				2,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$11.9375								11-21-05				8,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$14.65625								12-18-07				4,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$15.9062								12-23-08				4,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$19.25								1-26-10				4,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$17.6875								12-6-10				10,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$26.09								1-17-12				10,000	D	

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Explanation of Responses:	
(1) The option vests 25% on 12-2-03 and 25% each year thereaft	er.
/s/ Dennis B. Goettsch	12/04/2002
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially own	ned directly or indirectly.
* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, <i>see</i> Instruction 4(b)(v).	
** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal V <i>See</i> 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).	iolations.
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