

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/
Form 8-K
February 19, 2009

UNITED STATES
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 (Date of earliest event reported) **February 19, 2009**

HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or Other
Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

1-2402
(Commission File
Number)

41-0319970
(IRS Employer
Identification
Number)

1 Hormel Place

Austin, MN 55912
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(507) 437-5611**

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Section 2 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On February 19, 2009, the Company issued an earnings release announcing its financial results for the first quarter ended January 25, 2009. A copy of the earnings release is furnished as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits furnished pursuant to Item 2.02

99 Earnings release issued February 19, 2009

SIGNATURES

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 hereunto duly authorized.

HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Dated: February 19, 2009

By

/s/J. H. FERAGEN

J. H. FERAGEN

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: February 19, 2009

By

/s/J.N. SHEEHAN

J.N. SHEEHAN
Vice President and Controller