GOLDBERG LUELLA G

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

GOLDBERG LUELLA G Symbol			er Name and Ticker or Trading				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
	HORMI [HRL]			MEL FOODS CORP /DE/				(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)			X Director Officer (gives	e title Othobelow)	Owner er (specify			
1 HORMEL	02/01/2	02/01/2005				below)	ociow)				
(Street) 4. If Amer			endment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
		Filed(Mo	nth/Day/Year)			Applicable Line)	One Penertine De	necon.		
AUSTIN, MN 55912							_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State) (Zip) Tab	le I - Non-D	erivative :	Securi	ities Acc	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned		
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date		3.	4. Securi		•	5. Amount of	6. Ownership			
Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code	ction(A) or Disposed of (D)		Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct (D) or	Indirect Beneficial			
(1115411-0)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership			
							Following Reported	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
					(A)		Transaction(s)				
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	02/01/2005		A	1,500	A	\$ 31.5	33,915 <u>(1)</u>	D			

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	e Expiration Da	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.5	02/01/2005		A	4,000	08/01/2005	02/01/2015	Common Stock	4,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GOLDBERG LUELLA G 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912	X					

Signatures

Luella G. Goldberg, by Power of Attorney

02/02/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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 amount reported includes 3,898 shares subject to certain restrictions (including possible forfeiture) applicable to restricted stock grants under the 2000 Stock Incentive Plan and the Restricted Stock Award Agreements.

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