

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
VORPAHL LARRY L

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)
03/08/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Vice President

AUSTIN, MN 55912

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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	03/08/2005		M		12,000	A	\$ 15.9062	20,588	D
Common Stock	03/08/2005		M		4,000	A	\$ 19.25	24,588	D
Common Stock	03/08/2005		F		8,506	D	\$ 31.49	16,082	D
Common Stock	03/08/2005		F		2,530	D	\$ 31.49	13,552 ⁽²⁾	D

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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.9062	03/08/2005		M ⁽¹⁾		12,000		06/23/1999	12/23/2008	Common Stock	12,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.25	03/08/2005		M ⁽¹⁾		4,000		07/26/2000	01/26/2010	Common Stock	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
VORPAHL LARRY L 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912			Vice President	

Signatures

Larry L. Vorpahl, by Power of Attorney 03/09/2005

__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) Reporting Person has exercised Stock Withholding Rights in connection with this option exercise, as reflected on Table I.

(2) Reporting Person also holds indirectly 1,128 shares in the 401(k) Trust, 1,073 shares in JEPST, and 799 shares in Founders Fund.

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