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obligations may continue <i>See</i> Instruction 1(b).	e. Section 17(a)	) of the Publi	c Utility He		pany Act o	ge Act of 1934, f 1935 or Sectio 40	n		
(Print or Type Resp	ponses)								
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> NAKASONE ROBERT			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ [HRL]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	_	-	Transaction		X Director	10%	6 Owner	
1 HORMEL PI		(Mor	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2007			Officer (give titleOther (specify below)below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
Filed(Month/Day/Year)						Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) ,	Fable I - Nor	-Derivative S	Securities A c	quired, Disposed of	f or Beneficial	llv Owned	
1.Title of 2	. Transaction Date		3.	4. Securi		• · •	6. Ownership	•	
	(Month/Day/Year) Execut any		e, if Transa Code	TransactionAcquired (A) or		SecuritiesIBeneficially(OwnedI	-	Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V Amount	<ul><li>(A)</li><li>or</li><li>(D) Price</li></ul>	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock						3,560 <u>(3)</u>	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed o (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration I (Month/Day	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		Securities	8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	09/30/2007		А	586.92	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	569.43 (2)	\$ 3

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
I O	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other			
NAKASONE ROBERT 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912-3680	Х						
Signatures							
By Power of Attorney for Robe Nakasone	ert C.		10/01/20	07			

<u>\*\*</u>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).

Each share of phantom stock is the equivalent of one share of common stock. The shares of phantom stock become payable in common stock in one lump sum, or in up to five annual installments, at the election of the reporting person, on February 15 of the year following

- termination of service as a director, or such later date as is elected by the reporting person. In addition, the shares of phantom stock become payable in common stock in one lump sum immediately prior to the effective date of a transaction constituting a change of control (as defined in the Plan).
- (2) Reflects additional phantom stock units received by the reporting person upon conversion of dividend equivalents from June 30, 2007 to the present.
- (3) All 3,560 shares being reported are 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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