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| UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 | | | | | | | | N OMB Number: | 3235-0287 |
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| In the folger subject to Section 16.STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIESForm 4 or Form 5Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, | | | | | | | Estimated burden hou response | average urs per | |
| obligatio may con <i>See</i> Instr 1(b). | tinue. Section 17 | (a) of the l | Public U | Jtility Hol | ding Cor | | of 1935 or Secti | | |
| (Print or Type | Responses) | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Johnson Brian Dean | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
| | | | HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ [HRL] | | | | (Check all applicable) | | |
| (Month/E | | | Date of Earliest Transaction Director Aonth/Day/Year) Difficer (gi below) | | | ve title 10% Owner Other (specify below) | | | |
| 1 HORMEI | _ PLACE | | 12/01/2 | 2009 | | | Co | rporate Secretar | у |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | |
| AUSTIN, N | AN 55912 | | | | | | Person | More than One R | eporting |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tab | ole I - Non-J | Derivative | Securities A | cquired, Disposed | of, or Beneficia | lly Owned |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemo Execution any (Month/Da | Date, if | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 | (A) or of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 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 | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Reminder: Rep | port on a separate lin | e for each cl | ass of sec | urities bene | ficially ow | ned directly of | 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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amount of |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orDerivative | Expiration Date | Underlying Securities |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | Securities | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) |

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Yea | r) (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---|-------------------|------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | Code V | 7 (A) | (D) Date Exerc | cisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 38.25 | 12/01/2009 | А | 10,000 | | <u>(1)</u> | 12/01/2019 | Common Stock | 10,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | | | |
|--|----------|-----------|---------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Johnson Brian Dean 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912 | | | Corporate Secretary | |
| Signatures | | | | |

| Difail Deali | |
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| Johnson | 12/03/2009 |
| <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).

(1) The options will vest in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 1, 2010.

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