BINDER STEVEN G

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

BINDER STEVEN G

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/

[HRL]

Symbol

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1 HORMEL PLACE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

(Month/Day/Year)

12/04/2012

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

below) **Executive Vice President**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Ownership

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

AUSTIN, MN 55912

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

Security

(State) 1. Title of

or Exercise

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Form: Direct (T) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of Transaction Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	f (D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Share
STOCK OPTIONS (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 30.98	12/04/2012		A		125,000		<u>(1)</u>	12/04/2022	COMMON STOCK	125,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BINDER STEVEN G

1 HORMEL PLACE Executive Vice President

AUSTIN, MN 55912

Signatures

Steven G. Binder, by Power of Attorney

12/04/2012

**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 option vests in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 4, 2013.

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