HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PIPPINS DAKOTA A			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) 1 HORMEL	, , ,	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/08/2014				_X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify below)				
				I. 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 Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Noi	n-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr.		4. Securi n(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/08/2014			M	•	4,000	A	\$ 19.56	51,961.958	D	
Common Stock	12/08/2014			F		1,482	D	\$ 52.77	50,479.958	D	
Common Stock	12/08/2014			F		872	D	\$ 52.77	49,607.958	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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)	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)	\$ 19.56	12/08/2014		M	4,000	08/01/2010	02/01/2020	Common Stock	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PIPPINS DAKOTA A 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912	X						

Signatures

Dakota A. Pippins, by Power of Attorney 12/10/2014

**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).

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