HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Snee James P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

_X__ Director

[HRL]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

02/01/2017

X_ Officer (give title below) below) President and CEO

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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

Person

AUSTIN, MN 55912

1 HORMEL PLACE

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

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

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(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 Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative 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	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.62	02/01/2017	A	277,400		<u>(1)</u>	02/01/2027	Common Stock	277,400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Snee James P 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912	X		President and CEO				

Signatures

James P Snee, By Power of Attorney

02/03/2017

**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 February 1, 2018.

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