VORPAHL LARRY L

Form 4

December 04, 2002

FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
			o. Relationship of Reporting Ferson(s) to issue
			(Check all applicable)
			_ Director
Name and Address of Reporting Person *			_ 10% Owner
Person *			
	2. Issuer Name and Ticker		
Vorpahl, Larry L	or Trading Symbol		X Officer (give title below)
		4. Statement for	
(Last) (First) (Middle)	Hormel Foods Corporation	(Month/Day/Year)	
	HRL	D 1 2002	_ Other (specify below)
1 Hormel Place		December, 2002	
			Vice President
(Street)			
Austin, MN 55912	3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting	5. If Amendment, Date of	7. Individual or Joint/Group
Austin, Wild 55712	Person, if an entity	Original	Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(City) (State) (Zip)	(voluntary)	(Month/Day/Year)	X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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		/	Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/ Year)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned Following	or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Common Stock							138	D	
Common Stock		Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	1,089	I	401(k) Trust
Common Stock							1,045	I	JEPST Trust
Common Stock							709	I	Founders Fund

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

	2.			Code	ode (Instr. 3, 4		6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			Securities Beneficially	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Securities:		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/ Year)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or		Reported Transaction(s)	Direct (D) of or Indirect (I) O	11. N of Inc Bene Own (Instr
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$22.35	12-2-02		A		10,000		(1)	12-2-12	Common Stock	10,000	\$22.35	10,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$10.25								1-25-04				2,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$12.375								1-11-05				2,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$11.9375								11-21-05				6,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$14.65625								12-18-07				10,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$15.90625								12-23-08				12,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$19.25								1-26-10				10,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$17.6875								12-6-10				10,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$26.09								1-17-12				10,000	D	

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Explanation of Responses:	
(1) The option vests 25% on 12-2-03 and 25% each year thereaf	iter.
/s/ Larry L. Vorpahl	12/04/2002
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially ow	ned directly or indirectly.
* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, <i>see</i> Instruction 4(b)(v)	
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