

DEAN FOODS CO  
Form 8-K  
March 10, 2017

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**  
**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported):

**March 10, 2017 (March 8, 2017)**

**Dean Foods Company**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**1-12755**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**75-2559681**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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**2711 North Haskell Ave., Suite 3400**

**Dallas, TX 75204**

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(214) 303-3400**

**Not Applicable.**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 10, 2017

DEAN FOODS COMPANY

By:

/s/ Russell F. Coleman

Russell F. Coleman

Executive Vice President, General Counsel, Corporate

Secretary & Government Affairs

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
10.1	Dean Foods Company 2017 Short-Term Incentive Compensation Plan