Johnson Brian Dean
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Johnson Brian Dean

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1 HORMEL PLACE

(Street)

AUSTIN, MN 55912

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ [HRL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/26/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP & Corporate Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
COMMON STOCK	11/26/2012		M		200	A	$ 18.705	13,387.737	D	
COMMON STOCK	11/26/2012		S		200	D	$ 30.49	13,187.737	D	
COMMON STOCK	11/26/2012		M		3,000	A	$ 19.355	16,187.737	D	
COMMON STOCK	11/26/2012		M		10,000	A	$ 20.07	26,187.737	D	
COMMON STOCK	11/26/2012		F		8,445	D	$ 30.64	17,742.737	D	

COMMON STOCK	11/26/2012		F	1,491	D	$ 30.64	16,251.737	D	
COMMON STOCK							2,573.8504	I	401K
COMMON STOCK							1,699.3764	I	JEPST PLAN

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 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. Transaction 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 o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sh
STOCK OPTIONS (RIGHT TO BUY)	$ 18.705	11/26/2012		M[4]			200 [1]	12/16/2010	01/08/2017	COMMON STOCK	20
STOCK OPTIONS (RIGHT TO BUY)	$ 19.355	11/26/2012		M			3,000	[2]	12/05/2016	COMMON STOCK	3,0
STOCK OPTIONS (RIGHT TO BUY)	$ 20.07	11/26/2012		M			10,000	[3]	12/04/2017	COMMON STOCK	10,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Johnson Brian Dean 1 HORMEL PLACE			VP & Corporate Secretary	

AUSTIN, MN 55912

Signatures

Brian Dean Johnson 11/27/2012

**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) All share amounts reflect the stock split effective February 1, 2011.

(2) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 5, 2007.

(3) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 4, 2008.

(4) Exercise of Universal Stock Options. The shares were sold in a block and the net after tax was issued to the optionee in cash.

Remarks:

Exhibit List Exhibit 24-Power of Attorney

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