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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BERNON ALAN J** Issuer Symbol DEAN FOODS CO/[DF] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 2515 MCKINNEY AVENUE, 05/15/2006 below) below) **SUITE 1200** President - Dean Dairy Group (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting DALLAS, TX 75201 Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Following (D) or (Instr. 8) Ownership Reported Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common P 05/15/2006 10,000 630,033.1354 D 36.4 Stock

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)

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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. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securi
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Nun Shai
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000489)	\$ 12.1383					01/22/2002(1)	01/22/2011	Common Stock	33
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000674)	\$ 12.1383					06/27/2005(1)	01/22/2011	Common Stock	6,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000354)	\$ 17.1835					01/14/2003(1)	01/14/2012	Common Stock	75
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000616)	\$ 17.1835					06/27/2005(1)	01/14/2012	Common Stock	13
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000355)	\$ 17.1835					01/14/2003(1)	01/14/2012	Common Stock	50
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000604)	\$ 17.1835					06/27/2005(1)	01/14/2012	Common Stock	9,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF002200)	\$ 20.9355					01/06/2004(1)	01/06/2013	Common Stock	78
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000606)	\$ 20.9355					06/27/2005(1)	01/06/2013	Common Stock	14
Incentive Stock Option (right to	\$ 26.3199					01/13/2005(1)	01/13/2014	Common Stock	1,

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buy-T0000015)					
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-TU000143	\$ 26.3199	01/13/2005(1)	10/13/2014	Common Stock	1,
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy-T0001703)	\$ 26.3199	01/13/2006(1)	01/13/2014	Common Stock	1
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-TU000144)	\$ 26.3199	01/13/2006(1)	01/13/2014	Common Stock	1
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF003299)	\$ 26.3199	01/13/2005(1)	01/13/2014	Common Stock	36
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000769)	\$ 26.3199	06/27/2005(1)	01/13/2014	Common Stock	6,
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy-DF902106)	\$ 26.8941	01/10/2006(1)	01/10/2015	Common Stock	5,
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy-T0001361)	\$ 26.8941	01/10/2006(1)	01/10/2015	Common Stock	ϵ
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-TU000145)	\$ 26.8941	01/10/2006(1)	01/10/2015	Common Stock	3
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF902107)	\$ 26.8941	01/10/2006(1)	01/10/2015	Common Stock	23
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000797)	\$ 26.8941	01/10/2006(1)	01/10/2015	Common Stock	4,
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy-DF004887)	\$ 37.74	01/13/2007(1)	01/13/2016	Common Stock	2,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF004888)	\$ 37.74	01/13/2007(1)	01/13/2016	Common Stock	273

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Restricted Stock Units (DU000424) (2)	\$ 0	09/19/2006(2)	09/19/2015	Common Stock	20
Restricted Stock Units (DU003750) (2)	\$ 0	01/13/2007(2)	01/13/2016	Common Stock	75

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BERNON ALAN J			President -			
2515 MCKINNEY AVENUE, SUITE 1200	X		Dean Dairy			
DALLAS, TX 75201			Group			

Signatures

Alan J. Bernon	05/16/2006			
**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 shares of common stock subject to the Option shall vest ratably in three equal increments commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- A Restricted Stock Unit, which is issued under the Company's 1989 Stock Awards Plan, is a right to receive one share of common stock (2) of the Issuer in the future, subject to the terms and conditions of the award agreement. The units vest annually, on a prorata basis, over a three-year period beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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