

DEAN FOODS CO
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
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(Last) (First) (Middle)

500 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 270

(Street)

DALLAS, TX 75201

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DEAN FOODS CO [DF]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
06/29/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	06/29/2012		M		\$ 39,157 (1)	A	63,415
Common Stock	06/29/2012		F		\$ 32,733 (1)	D	30,682

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy DF002165)	\$ 14.2351	06/29/2012		M	22,500 (1)	07/01/2002 ⁽²⁾	07/01/2012	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy T0000653)	\$ 14.2351	06/29/2012		M	4,146 (1)	07/01/2002 ⁽²⁾	07/01/2012	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy DV000790)	\$ 14.2351	06/29/2012		M	10,564 (1)	07/01/2002 ⁽²⁾	07/01/2012	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy DV000791)	\$ 14.2351	06/29/2012		M	1,947 (1)	07/01/2002 ⁽²⁾	07/01/2012	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DAVIS TOM C 500 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 270 DALLAS, TX 75201	X			

Signatures

Katherine K. Connell,
Attorney-In-Fact

07/03/2012

__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) The reporting person exercised options totalling 39,157 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer A total of 32,733 shares were surrendered to satisfy the exercise price of such options, resulting in the issuance of a total of 6,424 net shares of Common Stock.
- (2) The options are fully vested and immediately exercisable upon grant.

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