

VORPAHL LARRY L

Form 4/A

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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 *
VORPAHL LARRY L2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/
[HRL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1 HORMEL PLACE
(Street)3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/03/2007☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
Group Vice President

AUSTIN, MN 55912

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
12/05/20076. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
Common Stock	12/03/2007		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price \$ 22.35	23,354	D	
Common Stock	12/03/2007		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price \$ 26.93	45,854	D	
Common Stock	12/03/2007		F	V Amount (A) or (D) Price \$ 39.75	29,206	D	
Common Stock	12/03/2007		F	V Amount (A) or (D) Price \$ 39.75	25,739 ⁽⁴⁾	D	

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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.35	12/03/2007		M ⁽¹⁾			2,500	⁽²⁾	12/02/2012	Common Stock	2,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.93	12/03/2007		M ⁽¹⁾			22,500	⁽³⁾	12/02/2013	Common Stock	22,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.14	12/04/2007		A		45,000		⁽⁵⁾	12/04/2017	Common Stock	45,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
VORPAHL LARRY L 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912	Group Vice President

Signatures

Larry L. Vorpahl, by Power of Attorney 12/05/2007

__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) Reporting Person has exercised Stock Withholding Rights in connection with this option exercise, as reflected on Table I.

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- (2) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 2, 2003.
- (3) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 2, 2004.
- (4) Reporting Person holds indirectly 833.59 shares in the JEPST Trust.
- (5) The option will vest in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 4, 2008.

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