

TYSON FOODS INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
White Noel W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2200 W DON TYSON PARKWAY

(Street)

SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
TYSON FOODS INC [TSN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/19/2016

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)

Chief Operations Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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)			
			Code	V	Amount					
Class A Common Stock	12/19/2016		J <sup>(1)</sup>		211.0797	A	\$ 0	140,597.4097 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/09/2017		J <sup>(3)</sup>		413.1283	A	\$ 0	11,142.3828	I	Employee Stock Purchase Plan
Class A Common Stock	02/15/2017		A <sup>(4)</sup>		2,571.56	A	\$ 65.33	143,168.9697 <sup>(5)</sup>	D	

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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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
White Noel W 2200 W DON TYSON PARKWAY SPRINGDALE, AR 72762			Chief Operations Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Noel W. White                      02/17/2017

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*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).
- Represents shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock received by the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's dividend reinvestment plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 concurrent reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-11.
- (1) Includes 11,197.8685 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on the fourth business day following the filing of the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2017 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement (SIA) are achieved; 23,656.8132 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on July 1, 2018 if the performance metrics described in the applicable SIA are achieved and the Reporting Person is employed by the Issuer on the vesting date; 12,697.226 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on December 1, 2018 if the performance metrics described in the applicable SIA are achieved; and 10,978.85 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on November 18, 2019 if the performance metrics described in the applicable SIA are

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achieved.

Represents shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock purchased for the Reporting Person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 concurrent reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

- (3) Award of Class A Common Stock which vests on February 14, 2020 if the performance metric described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement (the Incentive Agreement) are achieved. The performance metrics are achievement of a two year (fiscal 2018-2019) cumulative EBIT target as set forth in the Incentive Agreement. If the performance metric is not achieved, the award expires.

- (4) Includes 11,197.8685 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on the fourth business day following the filing of the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2017 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable SIA are achieved; 23,656.8132 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on July 1, 2018 if the performance metrics described in the applicable SIA are achieved and the Reporting Person is employed by Issuer on the vesting date; 12,697.226 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on December 1, 2018 if the performance metrics described in the applicable SIA are achieved; 10,978.85 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on November 18, 2019 if the performance metrics described in the applicable SIA are achieved; and 2,571.56 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on February 14, 2020 if the performance metrics described in the applicable SIA are achieved.

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