

AVERA STEPHEN R  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
AVERA STEPHEN R

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1919 FLOWERS CIRCLE  
  
(Street)

THOMASVILLE, GA 31757

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FLOWERS FOODS INC [FLO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/09/2010

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)  
EVP, Secretary & Gen Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					126,692	D	
Common Stock					593	I	By 401(k) <u>(4)</u>
Common Stock					300	I	By Spouse <u>(5)</u>

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Award <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/09/2010		A	6,750	02/09/2012 <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock 6,750
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 25.01	02/09/2010		A	43,050	02/09/2013 02/09/2017	Common Stock 43,050
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 18.68					01/03/2009 01/03/2013	Common Stock 26,175
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 19.57					02/05/2010 02/05/2014	Common Stock 32,775
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 24.75					02/04/2011 02/04/2015	Common Stock 35,050
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 23.84					02/09/2012 02/09/2016	Common Stock 39,150
Restricted Stock Award <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0					02/09/2011 <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock 8,050

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
AVERA STEPHEN R 1919 FLOWERS CIRCLE THOMASVILLE, GA 31757			EVP, Secretary & Gen Counsel	

## Signatures

Stephen R.  
Avera

02/11/2010

\_\_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) Grant expires on Exercisable Date if performance measures are not met.
- (2) Granted pursuant to the Flowers Foods, Inc. 2001 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan.
- (3) In accordance with the terms of the 2010 Restricted Stock Award Agreement, the performance shares awarded do not have a conversion or exercise price.
- (4) Total includes exempt acquisitions of shares allocated to reporting person in Issuer's 401(k) Plan, as of 12/31/2009.
- (5) By Spouse as custodian for reporting person's minor child.

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