

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/  
Form 8-K  
March 30, 2016

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D. C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of**  
**the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) **March 29, 2016**

**HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other  
Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**1-2402**  
(Commission File  
Number)

**41-0319970**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification  
Number)

**1 Hormel Place**

**Austin, MN 55912**

(Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(507) 437-5611**

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Section 5 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers**

On March 29, 2016, the Board of Directors of Hormel Foods Corporation (the Company) elected James N. Sheehan to the position of vice president and chief accounting officer, advancing Mr. Sheehan from the position of vice president and controller, effective May 30, 2016.

A press release announcing the advancement of James N. Sheehan, along with other executive retirements and advancements for the Company, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.

**Section 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits furnished pursuant to Item 5.02

99 Press release issued March 30, 2016

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION**  
(Registrant)

Dated: March 30, 2016

By

/s/ JAMES N. SHEEHAN  
JAMES N. SHEEHAN  
Vice President and Controller

Dated: March 30, 2016

By

/s/ ROLAND G. GENTLER  
ROLAND G. GENTZLER  
Vice President, Finance and Treasurer