

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/

Form 4

February 24, 2016

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SHEEHAN JAMES N

2. 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)
02/22/2016

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
V.P. & Controller

AUSTIN, MN 55912

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(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	02/22/2016		M	60,000	A \$ 6.315	60,000 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Stock	02/22/2016		F	8,863	D \$ 42.75	51,137	D
Common Stock	02/22/2016		F	24,648	D \$ 42.75	26,489	D
Common Stock	02/22/2016		G	26,489	D \$ 0	0	D
Common Stock	02/22/2016		G	26,489	A \$ 0	83,275 ⁽¹⁾	I Spouse's Rev Trust

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Common Stock	02/24/2016	S	26,489	D	\$ 43.44	56,786	I	Spouse's Rev Trust
Common Stock						14,862.334 (1)	I	JEPST Plan
Common Stock						57,186 (1)	I	Rev Trust

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Common Stock	\$ 6.315 (1)	02/22/2016		M	60,000 (1)	(2)	12/02/2018	Common Stock 60,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
SHEEHAN JAMES N 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912	V.P. & Controller

Signatures

James N. Sheehan, by Power of Attorney 02/23/2016

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) Reflects the two-for-one stock split effective January 27, 2016.

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(2) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 2, 2009.

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