

White Noel W  
Form 4  
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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 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)  
03/18/2013

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)

Sr Grp VP Fresh Meats

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class A Common Stock	03/14/2013		J <sup>(1)</sup>	V	333	A	\$ 0	2,522	I	Employee Stock Purchase Plan
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013		M		40,000	A	\$ 15.06	75,446	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013		M		32,000	A	\$ 4.9	107,446	D	
	03/18/2013		M		40,000	A	\$ 12.02	147,446	D	

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Class A Common Stock							
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	M	800	D	\$ 24.18	146,646	D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	S	6,600	D	\$ 24.19	140,046	D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	S	5,500	D	\$ 24.2	134,546	D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	S	9,200	D	\$ 24.21	125,346	D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	S	5,715	D	\$ 24.22	119,631	D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	S	10,700	D	\$ 24.23	108,931	D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	S	9,000	D	\$ 24.24	99,931	D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	S	19,257	D	\$ 24.25	80,674	D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	S	12,700	D	\$ 24.26	67,974	D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	S	8,200	D	\$ 24.27	59,774	D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	S	200	D	\$ 24.2717	59,574	D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	S	600	D	\$ 24.2775	58,974	D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013	S	2,995	D	\$ 24.28	55,979	D
Class A Common	03/18/2013	S	4,700	D	\$ 24.2983	51,279	D

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Stock							
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013		S	200	D	\$ 24.2995	51,079 D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013		S	5,434	D	\$ 24.3	45,645 D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013		S	500	D	\$ 24.3024	45,145 D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013		S	200	D	\$ 24.3028	44,945 D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013		S	200	D	\$ 24.3073	44,745 D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013		S	5,600	D	\$ 24.3104	39,145 D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013		S	2,299	D	\$ 24.32	36,846 D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013		S	1,300	D	\$ 24.33	35,546 D
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2013		S	100	D	\$ 24.335	35,446 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)		Title

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					Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of S
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 15.06	03/18/2013	M	40,000	11/16/2009	11/16/2017	Class A Common Stock	40,
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 4.9	03/18/2013	M	32,000	11/14/2010	11/14/2018	Class A Common Stock	32,
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 12.02	03/18/2013	M	40,000	11/30/2010	11/30/2019	Class A Common Stock	40,

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
White Noel W 2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY SPRINGDALE, AR 72762			Sr Grp VP Fresh Meats	

## Signatures

/s/ Brett Worlow by power of attorney for Noel W. White  
 03/19/2013  
 \*\*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 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 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

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