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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) May 18, 2016

HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware 1-2402 41-0319970 (State or Other (Commission File (IRS Employer Jurisdiction of Number) Identification Incorporation) Number) 1 Hormel Place **Austin, MN 55912** (Address of Principal Executive Office) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (507) 437-5611 Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions: Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) [] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 2 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On May 18, 2016, the Company issued an earnings release announcing its financial results for the second quarter ended April 24, 2016. A copy of the earnings release is furnished as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits furnished pursuant to Item 2.02
- 99 Earnings release issued May 18, 2016

SIGNATURES

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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: May 18, 2016 By /s/J. H. FERAGEN

J. H. FERAGEN

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: May 18, 2016 By /s/J. N. SHEEHAN

J. N. SHEEHAN

Vice President and Controller

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