HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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) 1 HORMEL P	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/20/2015	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) V.P. & Controller		
	(Street)		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		
AUSTIN, MN	55912			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly 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. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (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	10/20/2015		G	57,186	D	\$0	0	D	
Common Stock	10/20/2015		G	57,186	A	\$ 0	57,186	I	Rev. Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2015		G	28,593	D	\$ 0	28,493	I	Rev. Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2015		G	28,593	A	\$ 0	28,593	I	Spouse's Rev. Trust
Common Stock	11/13/2015		G	200	D	\$ 0	28,393	I	Spouse's Rev. Trust

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Common Stock	01/04/2016	M	30,000	A	\$ 19.125	30,000	D	
Common Stock	01/04/2016	F	7,255	D	\$ 79.08	22,745	D	
Common Stock	01/04/2016	F	9,187	D	\$ 79.08	13,558	D	
Common Stock	01/04/2016	G	13,558	D	\$ 0	0	D	
Common Stock	01/04/2016	G	13,558	A	\$ 0	42,151	I	Rev. Trust
Common Stock	01/05/2016	S	13,558	D	\$ 79.525	28,593	I	Rev. Trust
Common Stock						7,414.189	I	JEPST

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title and A	Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onDerivative	Expiration Date		Underlying Securities	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/	Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)				
	Derivative				or Disposed of				
	Security				(D)				
					(Instr. 3, 4,				
					and 5)				
						Date	Expiration	Title	Amount
				Code V	(A) (D)	Exercisable	Date	11110	Number of Shares
Common Stock	\$ 19.125	01/04/2016		M	30,000	<u>(1)</u>	12/01/2019	Common Stock	30,000

Reporting Owners

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

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Signatures

James N. Sheehan, by Power of Attorney 01/05/2016

**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) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 1, 2010.

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