HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

ETTINGER JEFFREY M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol				ling	Issuer		
			HORM [HRL]	IEL FOC	DS CO	RP /D	E/	(Check	all applicable)
(Last)	, ,	(Middle)		of Earliest ' Day/Year)	Fransactio	n		X Director X Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify
1 HORMEI	L PLACE		04/05/2	2016				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	f the Board and	d CEO
	(Street)			endment, I	U	nal		6. Individual or Joi	nt/Group Filin	g(Check
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	-Derivativ	e Secu	rities Ac	quired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Ownership India Beneficially Form: Bene Owned Following Direct (D) Own Reported or Indirect (Inst		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amoun	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	04/05/2016			M	400	A	\$ 42.24	1,138,889.851 (1)	D	
Common Stock								21,669.726	I	401(K) Plans
Common Stock								21,063.346 (1)	I	JEPST Plan
Common Stock								2,076.323 (1)	I	Spouse

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisab	le and	7. Title and A	Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onof	Expiration Date		Underlying Securities	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code Derivative		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Securities				
	Derivative				Acquired				
	Security				(A) or				
					Disposed				
					of (D)				
					(Instr. 3, 4,				
					and 5)				
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									or
						Date Exercisable	Expiration	Title	Number
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares
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Common	\$ 9.352	0.440.740.04.6			400	1011 (10010(2)	04 100 100 1	Common	400
Stock	(1)	04/05/2016		M	(1)	$12/16/2010^{(2)}$	01/08/2017	Stock	400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ETTINGER JEFFREY M							
1 HORMEL PLACE	X		Chairman of the Board and CEO				
AUSTIN, MN 55912							

Signatures

Jeffrey M. Ettinger, by Power of
Attorney

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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.
- (2) These options, received as a result of a universal stock option award, fully vested on December 16, 2010.

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