#### SMITHFIELD FOODS INC

Form 4

January 18, 2008

# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FRIBOURG PAUL J			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			SMITHFIELD FOODS INC [SFD]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
C/O 200 COMMERCE STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2008	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired ction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or		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)	
			Code V	Amount	` ′	Price			see
Common Stock	01/16/2008		P(2)	3,600	A	\$ 25.46	9,740,185	I (1)	footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008		P(2)	900	A	\$ 24.79	9,741,085	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008		P(2)	2,400	A	\$ 24.8	9,743,485	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008		P(2)	2,100	A	\$ 24.81	9,745,585	I (1)	see footnote #1

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Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	2,100	A	\$ 24.83	9,747,685	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	800	A	\$ 24.84	9,748,485	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	500	A	\$ 24.85	9,748,985	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	500	A	\$ 24.86	9,749,485	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	1,100	A	\$ 24.87	9,750,585	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	3,500	A	\$ 24.88	9,754,085	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	200	A	\$ 24.89	9,754,285	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	959	A	\$ 24.9	9,755,244	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	500	A	\$ 24.91	9,755,744	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	1,300	A	\$ 24.92	9,757,044	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	1,900	A	\$ 24.93	9,758,944	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	900	A	\$ 24.94	9,759,844	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	4,341	A	\$ 24.96	9,764,185	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	400	A	\$ 24.97	9,764,585	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	600	A	\$ 24.98	9,765,185	I (1)	see footnote

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Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	400	A	\$ 25	9,765,585	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	2,100	A	\$ 25.01	9,767,685	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	300	A	\$ 25.02	9,767,985	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	2,800	A	\$ 25.03	9,770,785	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	2,600	A	\$ 25.04	9,773,385	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	2,500	A	\$ 25.05	9,775,885	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	2,700	A	\$ 25.06	9,778,585	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	1,600	A	\$ 25.09	9,780,185	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	100	A	\$ 25.17	9,780,285	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	300	A	\$ 25.21	9,780,585	I (1)	see footnote #1
Common Stock	01/17/2008	P(2)	48	A	\$ 25.22	9,780,633	I (1)	see footnote #1

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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Da	ite	Amount of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underlying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Securities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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					4, and 5)					
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date	Expiration	Title Amount		
						Exercisable	Date	or		
								Number		
								of		
								Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FRIBOURG PAUL J							
C/O 200 COMMERCE STREET	X						
SMITHFIELD, VA 23430							

## **Signatures**

/s/ Michael H. Cole, as 01/18/2008 Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*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).

The shares listed as indirectly owned in the table above are shares owned directly by ContiGroup Companies, Inc. ("ContiGroup"). Mr. Fribourg may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to the shares of common stock owned directly by ContiGroup by virtue of being the Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President of ContiGroup. In addition, Mr. Fribourg is one of the co-trustees

- and in one case, a beneficiary, of various trusts established for the benefit of certain members of Mr. Fribourg's family that collectively control a majority interest in ContiGroup. Mr. Fribourg disclaims beneficial ownership with respect to all of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest.
- (2) The purchases reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by ContiGroup on October 12, 2007.

#### **Remarks:**

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