#### SMITHFIELD FOODS INC

Form 4 July 17, 2008

# FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* CRAWFORD CAROL T

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

SMITHFIELD FOODS INC [SFD]

(Month/Day/Year) 07/15/2008

C/O 200 COMMERCE STREET (Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

10% Owner Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Indirect

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

below)

X\_ Director

Officer (give title

SMITHFIELD, VA 23430

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Beneficially Owned Following Reported

5. Amount of

Securities

Transaction(s)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

Price of

(Instr. 3)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4 TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative Disposed of (D) Security (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date **Expiration Title** Amount or Exercisable Number of Shares Phantom common (2) (2) (1) 07/15/2008 1,093.826 1,093.826 Stock stock

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CRAWFORD CAROL T

C/O 200 COMMERCE STREET X

SMITHFIELD, VA 23430

## **Signatures**

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

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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).

07/17/2008

Date

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  - The phantom stock becomes payable in shares of Company common stock upon termination of service as a director either in a lump sum or in annual installments over a period of at least two years and not more than ten years as per the director's deferral election.
- Notwithstanding the foregoing, after termination of service, the phantom stock may, at the election of the director, be converted into one or more "deemed investments" approved by the Company's Nominating and Governance Committee.

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