SMITHFIELD FOODS INC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** LUTER JOSEPH W III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITHFIELD FOODS INC [SFD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director10% Owner		
C/O 200 COMMERCE STREET			07/06/2009	Officer (give title Delow) Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
SMITHFIEL	D. VA 234	30	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
, ,				Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative S	ecurit	ies 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. Securities our Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	d of (E and 5)))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	07/06/2009		Code V	Amount 500,000	or (D)	Price \$ 13.19	(Instr. 3 and 4) 1,072,200	D	
stock, par value \$.50	07/00/2009		ა	300,000	ט	(1) (1) \$	1,072,200	D	
stock, par value \$.50	07/07/2009		S	300,000	D	13.17 (2)	772,200	D	
Common stock, par value \$.50							500,000	I	By daughter
Common stock, par value \$.50							950	I	By custodial trust for

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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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. ionNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LUTER JOSEPH W III C/O 200 COMMERCE STREET SMITHFIELD, VA 23430	X						

Signatures

/s/ Michael H. Cole, as attorney-in-fact

07/08/2009

**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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$13.13 to \$13.59, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Smithfield Foods, Inc., any security holder of Smithfield Foods, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in footnotes (1) and (2) to this Form 4.
- (2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$13.15 to \$13.20, inclusive.

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