

DARLING INGREDIENTS INC.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Elrod Rick A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 DARLING INGREDIENTS INC.
 [DAR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 251 O'CONNOR RIDGE
 BLVD., SUITE 300
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/07/2016

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
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IRVING, TX 75038

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common stock	03/07/2016		A	39,550	\$ 0	65,865	D
Common stock	03/07/2016		F	3,297	\$ 12.11	62,568	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 11.97	03/07/2016		A	17,892	<u>(1)</u>	03/07/2026	Common stock	17,892

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Elrod Rick A 251 O'CONNOR RIDGE BLVD. SUITE 300 IRVING, TX 75038			EVP - Dar Pro USA	

Signatures

Rick A. Elrod 03/09/2016
 __Signature of Date
 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).
- (1) Options granted pursuant to the 2012 Omnibus Incentive Plan to purchase 4,473 shares become exercisable on each of 3/07/16, 3/07/17, 3/07/18 and 3/07/19.

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