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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and A CARLINI I | Symbol | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DEAN FOODS CO [DF] | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|----------|
| | (First) (M TH HASKELL SUITE 3400 | (Month | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2012 | | | | (Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Senior Vice President and | | |
| DALLAS, | endment, Date Original onth/Day/Year) | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Ta | ble I - Non-I | Derivative | 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, is any (Month/Day/Year | Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securion(A) or Do (Instr. 3, | ispose | ed of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | 07/01/2012 | | M | 3,333 (1) | A | \$ 0 | 16,116 | D | |
| Common Stock | 07/01/2012 | | F | 882 (1) | D | \$ 17.03 | 15,234 | D | |

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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) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Underlyir | 7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|--|--------------------|-----------|--|--|
| | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Shar | |

Reporting Owners

\$0

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

07/01/2012

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CARLINI BARBARA D 2711 NORTH HASKELL AVENUE SUITE 3400 DALLAS, TX 75204

Senior Vice President and

Common

Stock

07/01/2010(2) 07/01/2019

Signatures

Restricted

Stock Units

(DU004929)

Katherine K. Connell, Attorney-in-Fact 07/03/2012

**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 reporting person received a total of 3,333 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer pursuant to the vesting provisions in the award of (1) restricted stock units. A total of 882 shares were surrendered to satisfy tax obligations of the reporting person, resulting in the issuance of a total of 2,451 net shares of Common Stock.
- The reporting person has received an award of restricted stock units, which is the right to receive shares of Common Stock of the Issuer in (2) the future, subject to the terms and conditions of the award agreement. The units vest annually, on a pro rata basis, over a three year period beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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