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FORM 4

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Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

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1(b).

Common

Stock

05/24/2011

(Print or Type Responses)

	Address of Reporting S HECTOR M	Person * 2. Issue Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			DEAN FOODS CO [DF]		(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (Middle) 3. Date of	of Earliest 7	Transaction				
		(Month/	Day/Year)		_X_ Director	10%	Owner	
BOLIVIA 33 SUITE 303 (Street)		05/24/2	2011		Officer (give title below) below		- `	
		4. If Am	endment, E	Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
HATO RE	EY, PR 00917	Filed(Mo	onth/Day/Ye	ar)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
III II O KL	71,11000717				Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-	Derivative Securities Acqu	iired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	n Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D)		Securities	Ownership	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership	

(A)

(D)

Price

10.1707

Amount

39,157

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

Code V

M

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Following

Reported

467,609

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

or Indirect

(Instr. 4)

D

(Instr. 4)

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 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		7. Title and . Underlying ! (Instr. 3 and
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002995)	\$ 10.1707	05/24/2011		M	10,564	06/29/2001(1)	06/29/2011	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-TO000646)	\$ 10.1707	05/24/2011		M	4,146	06/29/2001 <u>(1)</u>	06/29/2011	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-SF002506)	\$ 10.1707	05/24/2011		M	22,500	0 06/29/2001(1)	06/29/2011	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV003004)	\$ 10.1707	05/24/2011		M	1,947	06/29/2001 <u>(1)</u>	06/29/2011	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
Toporting o where the control of the	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
NEVARES HECTOR M BOLIVIA 33 SUITE 303 HATO REY, PR 00917	X				

Signatures

Richard Stephens, as Attorney-In-Fact

05/26/2011

**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).
- (1) The options are fully vested and immediately exercisable upon grant.

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