PIPPINS DAKOTA A

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

PIPPINS DAKOTA A			Symbol					I	Issuer			
		HORMEL FOODS COR [HRL]				DS COR	P/DI	DE/ (Check all applicable)				
(Last) 1 HORMEI	(Last) (First) (Middle) HORMEL PLACE		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2013				_	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			A	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person					
AUSTIN, N	MN 55912							F	Form filed by Mo erson	ore than One Rep	oorting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - N	on-l	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactior Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			(D)	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				Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Stock	03/01/2013			M		8,000	A	\$ 16.765	41,517.222	D		
Common Stock	03/01/2013			M		8,000	A	\$ 18.96	49,517.222	D		
Common Stock	03/01/2013			S		16,000	D	\$ 37.4118	33,517.222 (1)	D		
Common Stock									10,497.52	I	Deferred Stock Account	

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. Transactic 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
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.765	03/01/2013		M		8,000	08/01/2006	02/01/2016	Common Stock	8,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.96	03/01/2013		M		8,000	08/01/2007	02/01/2017	Common Stock	8,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PIPPINS DAKOTA A 1 HORMEL PLACE	X						
AUSTIN, MN 55912							

Signatures

Dakota A. Pippins, by Power of Attorney 03/01/2013

**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) Of the shares being reported, 14,517.222 shares are subject to certain restrictions (including possible forfeiture) applicable to restricted stock grants under the 2009 Long-Term Incentive Plan and the Restricted Stock Award Agreements.

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