BINDER STEVEN G

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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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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

				HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ [HRL]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1 HORMEL PLACE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/09/2013				:	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/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			
AUSTIN, MN 55912								Person				
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	(Check all applicable) f Earliest Transaction Day/Year) Director X_ Officer (give title lobelow) Executive Vice Presider Condment, Date Original Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person The I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) Director 10% (Check all applicable) Ax_ Officer (give title logother) Executive Vice Presider Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Owned Direct (D)						ly Owned	
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	ty (Month/Day/Year) Execut 3) any		emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) ay/Year) (Instr. 8)				Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
	COMMON STOCK	04/09/2013						\$		D		
	COMMON STOCK	04/09/2013			F	12,186	D	\$ 40.3	17,814	D		
	COMMON STOCK	04/09/2013			F	5,968	D	\$ 40.3	11,846	D		
	COMMON STOCK	04/09/2013			G	11,846	D	\$0	0	D		
	COMMON STOCK	04/09/2013			G	11,846	A	\$0	145,273.6605 (1)	I	Spouse's Revocable Trust	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative 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	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
STOCK OPTIONS (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 16.37	04/09/2013		M	30,000	<u>(2)</u>	12/06/2015	COMMON STOCK	30,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BINDER STEVEN G 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Steven G. Binder, by Power of Attorney

04/10/2013

**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) Reporting Person also holds 5,496.5675 phantom shares in his deferred stock account.
- (2) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 6, 2006.

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