Coffey Mark A Form 4 April 16, 2018

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add Coffey Mark	•	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ [HRL]			(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	Director 10% Owner			
			(Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
1 HORMEL F	PLACE		12/21/2017	Senior Vice President			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
AUSTIN, MN 55912-3680				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - No	n-D	<b>D</b> erivative	Secui	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y 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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/21/2017		G	V	190	D	\$0	29,011.026	D	
Common Stock	04/13/2018		M		8,000	A	\$ 9.5625	37,011.026	D	
Common Stock	04/13/2018		S		100	D	\$ 34.98	36,911.026	D	
Common Stock	04/13/2018		S		7,900	D	\$ 34.97	29,011.026	D	
Common Stock								1,580.721	I	401K Plan

Common Stock 8,553.421 I JEPST Plan

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number coof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date purities (Month/Day/Year) quired or posed of  str. 3, 4,		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)	\$ 9.5625	04/13/2018		M	8,000	<u>(1)</u>	12/01/2019	Common Stock	8,000

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Coffey Mark A

1 HORMEL PLACE Senior Vice President

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#### **Signatures**

Mark A. Coffey, By Power of Attorney 04/16/2018

\*\*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 option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 1, 2010.

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