

Hayes Thomas P
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Hayes Thomas P

 (Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O THE HILLSHIRE BRANDS COMPANY, 3500 LACEY ROAD

 (Street)
 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515

 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Hillshire Brands Co [HSH]
 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/14/2012
 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 EVP, Chief Supply Chain Off
 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
common stock	09/14/2012		A	(A) or (D) 3,494 (1)	\$ 0 27,124 (2)	D	

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)

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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. Transaction 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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Signatures

/s/ Helen N. Kaminski, for Thomas P. Hayes pursuant to power of attorney previously filed.

09/18/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Represents restricted stock units (RSUs) granted upon conversion of performance stock units (PSUs). In anticipation of the spin-off of its international coffee and tea business that was completed on June 28, 2012, in fiscal 2012 the company granted PSUs under its FY12-14

(1) long-term equity incentive program with a value equal to one-third of the annual grant amount. These PSUs were converted into RSUs to the extent the company achieved a one-year operating income target for fiscal 2012. The RSUs will settle and be converted into shares of common stock, on a one-for-one basis, on August 31, 2014, subject to the reporting person's continued employment through that date.

(2) Includes 3,494 RSUs that will be converted into shares of common stock, on a one-for-one basis, upon vesting.

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