

TYSON FOODS INC

Form 4

November 25, 2014

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LEATHERBY DENNIS

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY

(Street)

SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

TYSON FOODS INC [TSN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

09/15/2014

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

EVP & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	09/15/2014		<u>J</u> ⁽¹⁾	17 A \$ 0	118,907	D	
Class A Common Stock	11/20/2014		<u>J</u> ⁽²⁾	297 A \$ 0	2,852	I	Employee Stock Purchase Plan
Class A Common Stock	11/21/2014		A	7,395 <u>(3)</u> A \$ 0	126,302 <u>(4)</u>	D	

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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. 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 42.26	11/21/2014		A		80,278		11/21/2015	11/21/2024	Class A Common Stock	80,278
Performance Shares	(5)	11/21/2014		A(5)		23,662		(5)	(5)	Class A Common Stock	23,662

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
LEATHERBY DENNIS 2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY SPRINGDALE, AR 72762	EVP & CFO

Signatures

/s/ R. Read Hudson as Power of Attorney for Dennis Leatherby 11/25/2014

__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).

- Represents shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock received by the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's dividend reinvestment plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-11.
- (1) Represents shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock received by the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's dividend reinvestment plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-11.
- (2) Represents shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock purchased for the Reporting Person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisitions are

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exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

(3) Award of Class A Common Stock which vests on the fourth business day following the filing of the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2017 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement (the Incentive Agreement) are achieved. The performance metrics are achievement of a three year (fiscal 2015-2017) cumulative EBIT target as set forth in the Incentive Agreement. If the performance metrics are not achieved, the award expires.

(4) Includes 9,188 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on the fourth business day following the filing of the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2016 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved.

Award of performance Class A Common Stock which vests on the fourth business day following the filing of the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2017 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement (the Incentive Agreement) are achieved. The performance metrics are (1) achievement of a three year (fiscal 2015-2017) cumulative EBIT target as set forth in the Incentive Agreement and (2) a comparison of the market price of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock to a peer group of publicly traded companies selected by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Issuer over a three year (fiscal 2015-2017) period, as more particularly described in the Incentive Agreement. If neither of the performance metrics is achieved, the award expires.

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