

TYSON FOODS INC

Form 4

March 02, 2016

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

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1(b).

**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)
12/17/2015

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 below) ____ Other (specify below)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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	12/17/2015		J ⁽¹⁾	70.5031 A \$ 0	152,096.4 ⁽²⁾	D	
Class A Common Stock	12/17/2015		G	13,000 D \$ 0	139,096.4 ⁽²⁾	D	
Class A Common Stock	12/17/2015		G	2,000 D \$ 0	137,096.4 ⁽²⁾	D	
Class A Common	02/25/2016		J ⁽³⁾	415.6475 A \$ 0	5,236.5243	I	Employee Stock

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Stock

Purchase
Plan

Class A

Common 03/01/2016

M 5,312 ⁽⁴⁾ A \$ 0 142,408.4 ⁽²⁾ D

Stock

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 (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. 3)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
4.75 Percent Tangible Equity Units	(4)	03/01/2016		M	5,000	(4)	(4)	Class A Common Stock	5,000	\$

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/ Dennis
Leatherby

03/01/2016

**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 concurrent reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-11.

(1) Includes 9,304.9089 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; includes 7,488.231 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 2017 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved; and, includes 8,456.088 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on December 1, 2018 if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved.

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

(2) Represents an election by the Reporting Person to settle prior to maturity the purchase contract component of the 4.75% Tangible Equity Units previously reported by the Reporting Person at the rate of 1.0624 shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock per unit.

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