

TYSON FOODS INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
McNair Scott

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2210 WEST OAKLAWN DRIVE  
(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)  
12/21/2007

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)  
Group VP of Consumer Products

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |   |
| Class A Common Stock            | 12/21/2007                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 816 A \$ 9.64   | 64,751   | D   |
| Class A Common Stock            | 12/21/2007                           |  | M <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 1,200 A \$ 13.33  | 65,951   | D   |
| Class A Common Stock            | 12/21/2007                           |  | S                              |   | 816 D \$ 15.42  | 65,135   | D   |
| Class A Common                  | 12/21/2007                           |  | S                              |   | 1,200 D \$ 15.42  | 63,935   | D   |

Stock

Class A

Common 11/30/2007 J<sup>(3)</sup> V 36 A \$ 0 213 I By ESPP  
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 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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 9.64  | 12/21/2007                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 816   | 10/10/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 10/10/2012                     | Class A Common Stock  |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 13.33   | 12/21/2007                           |  | M <sup>(2)</sup>               | 1,200   | 09/19/2005 <sup>(2)</sup> 09/19/2013                     | Class A Common Stock  |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

McNair Scott  
2210 WEST OAKLAWN DRIVE  
SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

Group VP of Consumer Products

## Signatures

By: R. Read Hudson, by power of attorney for

12/26/2007

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 Stock Options vested at 40% on 10-10-04 and 20% each year thereafter for 3 years.
- (2) The Stock Options vested at 40% on 9-19-05 and 20% each year thereafter for 3 years.

- Represents 36 shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock purchased from November 1, 2007 thru November 30, 2007 for the reporting
- (3) person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-3.

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