TYSON FOODS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VAN BEBBER DAVID L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

TYSON FOODS INC [TSN]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

10% Owner Other (specify

2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year) 12/23/2011

X_ Officer (give title below) EVP & General Counsel

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tal | ble I - Non | -Derivativ | e Secu | rities Acqui | red, Disposed of | , or Beneficia | lly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--------|--------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit ord Dispos (Instr. 3, 4) | ed of | | 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 | 12/23/2011 | | G | 3,500 | D | \$ 0 | 112,970 | D | |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/14/2012 | | J <u>(1)</u> | 706 | A | \$ 0 | 113,676 | D | |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/14/2012 | | G | 2,500 | D | \$ 0 | 111,176 | D | |
| Class A Common | 12/14/2012 | | G | 500 | D | \$0 | 110,676 | D | |

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| Stock | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|------------|------|--------|---|---------------|---------|---|
| Class A Common Stock | 12/14/2012 | G | 1,000 | D | \$ 0 | 109,676 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/14/2013 | J(2) | 647 | A | \$ 0 | 2,442 | I |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | M | 6,000 | A | \$ 13.33 | 115,676 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | M | 8,000 | A | \$ 15.96 | 123,676 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | M | 8,000 | A | \$ 15.37 | 131,676 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | M | 8,000 | A | \$ 15.06 | 139,676 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | S | 7,600 | D | \$ 23.78 | 132,076 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | S | 300 | D | \$ 23.79 | 131,776 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | S | 100 | D | \$ 23.8186 | 131,676 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | S | 600 | D | \$ 23.84 | 131,076 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | S | 200 | D | \$ 23.8482 | 130,876 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | S | 12,800 | D | \$ 23.85 | 118,076 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | S | 200 | D | \$ 23.8505 | 117,876 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | S | 300 | D | \$ 23.86 | 117,576 | D |

Employee Stock Purchase Plan

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| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | S | 1,200 | D | \$ 23.87 | 116,376 | D |
|----------------------------|------------|---|-------|---|----------|---------|---|
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | S | 100 | D | \$ 23.89 | 116,276 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | S | 5,000 | D | \$ 23.9 | 111,276 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/22/2013 | S | 1,600 | D | \$ 23.91 | 109,676 | 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)

| 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y | te | 7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|---|--------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amou or Numb of Share |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 13.33 | 02/22/2013 | | M | 6,000 | 09/19/2005 | 09/19/2013 | Class A Common Stock | 6,00 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 15.96 | 02/22/2013 | | M | 8,000 | 09/29/2006 | 09/29/2014 | Class A Common Stock | 8,00 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 15.37 | 02/22/2013 | | M | 8,000 | 11/17/2008 | 11/17/2016 | Class A Common Stock | 8,00 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 15.06 | 02/22/2013 | | M | 8,000 | 11/16/2009 | 11/16/2017 | Class A Common Stock | 8,00 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VAN BEBBER DAVID L 2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

EVP & General Counsel

Signatures

David L. Van
Bebber
02/26/2013

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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 (1) 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.
- Represents shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock purchased for the Reporting Person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock (2) Purchase Plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisitions are
- (2) Purchase 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 16b-3.

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