

TYSON FOODS INC

Form 4

October 01, 2014

**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)

**09/25/2014**

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  
\_\_\_\_ 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	09/25/2014		<u>J</u> <sup>(1)</sup>	326 A \$ 0	2,555	I	Employee Stock Purchase Plan
Class A Common Stock	09/30/2014		<u>M</u> <sup>(2)</sup>	12,961 A \$ 0	123,343	D	
Class A Common Stock	09/30/2014		<u>S</u> <sup>(3)</sup>	4,453 D \$ 39.37	118,890	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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Shares	\$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>	09/30/2014		M <sup>(2)</sup>		12,961		09/30/2014	09/30/2014	Class A Common Stock	12,961

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

Dennis  
Leatherby 10/01/2014

<sup>\*\*</sup>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 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 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

(2) On October 3, 2011, the Reporting Person received a grant of performance shares which vested or expired on September 30, 2014. The performance shares could vest at a level between 50%-150% depending on criteria set forth in the award agreement and were previously reported as derivative securities at the 150% level. On September 30, 2014 the shares vested at the 150% level and 12,961 shares are reported herein as acquired non-derivatives securities.

(3)

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Pursuant to an election made by the Reporting Person, 4,453 shares were sold by the Reporting Person to the Issuer on September 30, 2014, to satisfy tax withholding obligations related to the vesting described in footnote 2.

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