DEAN FOODS CO/ Form 4

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### FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FROMBERG BARRY A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DEAN FOODS CO/ [DF]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Last) (First) (Middle)  2515 MCKINNEY AVENUE, LB 30, SUITE 1200	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/12/2005	(Check all applicable)  Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Executive Vice President
(Street) DALLAS, TX 75201	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting
DALLAS, TX 75201		Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative :	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Dia (Instr. 3, 4	sposed 4 and 3 (A) or	of (D) 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)
Common Stock	12/12/2005		Code V M	Amount 16,300	(D)	Price \$ 0	49,388.001	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2005(1)		S	7,200	D	\$ 38.9	42,188.001	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2005(1)		S	600	D	\$ 38.92	41,588.001	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2005(1)		S	1,300	D	\$ 38.93	40,288.001	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2005(1)		S	2,300	D	\$ 38.94	37,988.001	D	

Common Stock  $12/12/2005\underline{^{(1)}}$  S 4,900 D  $\frac{\$}{38.95}$  33,088.001 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu or D (D)	urities quired (A) Disposed of tr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Secur
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of S
Deferred Stock Units (DU000093)	\$ 0						01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	12
Deferred Stock Units (TU905827) (2)	\$0						01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	2,
Restricted Stock Units (DF902033) (2)	\$ 0						01/07/2006	01/07/2015	Common Stock	20
Restricted Stock Units (TU905726) (2)	\$ 0						01/07/2006	01/07/2015	Common Stock	3,
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy - DF002195) (3)	\$ 20.9355						01/06/2004	01/06/2013	Common Stock	4,
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy - T0001047) (3)	\$ 20.9355						01/06/2004	01/06/2013	Common Stock	7
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy -	\$ 26.3199						01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	1,

DF003306) (3)								
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy - T0001768) (3)	\$ 26.3199				01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	1
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy - DF902167) (3)	\$ 26.8941				01/07/2006	01/07/2015	Common Stock	5,
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy - T0001365) (3)	\$ 26.8941				01/07/2006	01/07/2015	Common Stock	$\epsilon$
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - T0000579) (3)	\$ 13.7918				07/31/1999	07/31/2008	Common Stock	3,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - T0000608) (3)	\$ 13.7918				07/31/1999	07/31/2008	Common Stock	11
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - T0000499) (3)	\$ 12.1383				01/22/2002	01/22/2011	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - T0003349) (3)	\$ 12.1383				01/22/2002	01/22/2011	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - DF001523) (3)	\$ 17.1835	12/12/2005	M	16,300	01/14/2003	01/14/2012	Common Stock	16
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - DF001332) (3)	\$ 17.1835				01/14/2003	01/14/2012	Common Stock	75
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - DF002196) (3)	\$ 20.9355				01/06/2004	01/06/2013	Common Stock	27
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - T0000609) (3)	\$ 20.9355				01/06/2004	01/06/2013	Common Stock	16

Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - DF003307) (3)	\$ 26.3199	01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	46
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - TU000197) (3)	\$ 26.3199	01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	2,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - T0000695) (3)	\$ 26.3199	01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	8,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - TU000198) (3)	\$ 26.3199	01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	3
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - DF902168) (3)	\$ 26.8941	01/07/2006	01/07/2015	Common Stock	50
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - T0000699) (3)	\$ 26.8941	01/07/2006	01/07/2015	Common Stock	9,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - TU000199) (3)	\$ 26.8941	01/07/2006	01/07/2015	Common Stock	3

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FROMBERG BARRY A 2515 MCKINNEY AVENUE, LB 30, SUITE 1200 DALLAS, TX 75201			Executive Vice President				

## **Signatures**

Barry A.	
Fromberg	12/13/2005
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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### **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).
- Sales are pursuant to a 10b5-1 Sales Plan dated November 7, 2005, between reporting person and Bear Stearns & Co., Inc., acting as (1) agent, to permit the orderly disposition of a portion of the reporting person's holdings of the Issuer's common stock, par value \$01 per share.
- A Stock Unit, which is issued under the Company's 1989 Stock Awards Plan, is a right to receive one share of Common Stock of the (2) Issuer in the future, subject to the terms and conditions of the award agreement. The units vest annually, on a prorata basis, over a five-year period beginning on the first anniversary date of grant, subject to certain accelerated vesting provisions.
- (3) The shares of common stock subject to the Option vest ratably in three equal increments commencing on the first anniversary of the grant

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