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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ac Forbes Glenr	Symbol	HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (M		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)			X Director Officer (giv below)		6 Owner er (specify	
1 HORMEL	12/31/20	12/31/2012				below)	Delow)		
	(Street)		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			
AUSTIN, M						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	ecuriti	ies Acc	quired, 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit nAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4)	(A) or of (D) 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)
Common							6,750 <u>(1)</u>	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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivat Security (Instr. 5
			Code V	(A) (I	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	12/31/2012	A	8.41	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	685.44 (3)	\$ 31.1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Forbes Glenn S 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912	X						

Signatures

Glenn S. Forbes, By Power of Attorney

01/02/2013

**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).
- Of the shares being reported, 4,500 shares are subject to certain restrictions (including possible forfeiture) applicable to restricted stock grants under the 2009 Long-Term Incentive Plan, and the Restricted Stock Award Agreements.
 - Each share of phantom stock is the equivalent of one share of common stock. The shares of phantom stock become payable in common stock in one lump sum, or in up to ten annual installments, at the election of the reporting person, on February 15 of the year following
- (2) termination of service as a director, or such later date as is elected by the reporting person. In addition, the shares of phantom stock become payable in common stock in one lump sum immediately upon a director's separation from service within six months following a change of control (as defined in the Plan).
- (3) Reflects additional phantom stock units received by the Reporting Person upon conversion of dividend equivalents from September 30, 2012 to the present.

Remarks:

Exhibit List Exhibit 24-Power of Attorney

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