#### HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/

Form 4

December 28, 2016

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Report PIPPINS DAKOTA A	Sym	MEL FOODS CORP /DE/	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First)  1 HORMEL PLACE	(Moi	e of Earliest Transaction th/Day/Year) 7/2016	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Street) AUSTIN, MN 55912		Amendment, Date Original 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 Person			
(City) (State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Month/Day/Ye (Instr. 3)	Date 2A. Deemed ear) Execution Date any (Month/Day/Ye	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock 12/27/2016		S 2,000 D \$ 35.22	<sub>5</sub> 94,583.45 (1) D			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	<b>:</b>		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PIPPINS DAKOTA A						
1 HORMEL PLACE	X					
AUSTIN, MN 55912						

### **Signatures**

Dakota A. Pippins, by Power of
Attorney

\*\*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) Reflects additional phantom stock units received by the Reporting Person upon conversion of dividend equivalents from July 1, 2016 to the present.

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