

LEATHERBY DENNIS
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LEATHERBY DENNIS

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
TYSON FOODS INC [(TSN)]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2210 W. OAKLAWN

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/05/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr. VP, Finance and Treasurer

SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)		
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Class A Common Stock	10/25/2006		J ⁽¹⁾	V	4,500	A	\$ 0 59,910	D	
Class A Common Stock	12/05/2006		G ⁽²⁾		4,500	D	\$ 0 55,410	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/25/2006		J ⁽¹⁾	V	4,500	D	\$ 0 17,688	I	By ESPP
Class A Common	12/06/2006		S ⁽³⁾		4,500	D	\$ 13,188 16.63	I	By ESPP

Stock

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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LEATHERBY DENNIS 2210 W. OAKLAWN SPRINGDALE, AR 72762			Sr. VP, Finance and Treasurer	

Signatures

By: R. Read Hudson, by power of attorney for 12/07/2006
 **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) Transfer of stock by reporting person from Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Reporting person disposed of the indirect ownership position and acquired direct ownership position.
- (2) Shares acquired, as described in footnote 1 were given as a Gift.
- (3) Reporting person sold 4500 previously acquired shares from his Employee Stock Purchase Plan account.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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