Kremin Donald H Form 4 September 16, 2010

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

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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(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Kremin Donald H Issuer Symbol HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ (Check all applicable) [HRL] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 1 HORMEL PLACE 09/14/2010 Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

#### AUSTIN, MN 55912-3680

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(City)	(State) (	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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)	ransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	09/14/2010		M	1,500	A	\$ 26.09	1,696.221	D	
Common Stock	09/14/2010		M	1,500	A	\$ 22.35	3,196.221	D	
Common Stock	09/14/2010		S	2,543	D	\$ 44.39	653.221	D	
Common Stock	09/14/2010		F	457	D	\$ 44.44	196.221 (1)	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number composed for 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. I De Sec (In
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.09	09/14/2010		M <sup>(2)</sup>	1,500	(3)	01/17/2012	Common Stock	1,500	\$
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.35	09/14/2010		M(2)	1,500	<u>(4)</u>	12/02/2012	Common Stock	1,500	\$

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Kremin Donald H

1 HORMEL PLACE Vice President

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## **Signatures**

Donald H. Kremin, by Power of Attorney 09/15/2010

\*\*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) Reporting Person also indirectly holds 3,581.29 Shares in the 401(k), and 1,015.8 Shares in the JEPST Trust.
- (2) Reporting Person has exercised Stock Withholding Rights in connection with this option exercise, as reflected on Table I.

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- (3) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on January 17, 2003.
- (4) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 2, 2003.

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