#### SHEEHAN JAMES N

Form 4

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

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obligations

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

			[HRL]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last)  1 HORME	(First)	(Middle)		f Earliest T Day/Year) 2018	ransaction		_	Director X Officer (give pelow) Senio		Owner er (specify	
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)  AUSTIN, MN 55912				_	1	- -	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)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year		n Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of (	(D)	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	12/12/2018			M	60,000	A		60,000	D		
Common Stock	12/12/2018			S	60,000	D	\$ 44.927 (1)	0	D		
Common Stock								15,673.737	I	JEPST Plan	
Common Stock								76,982	I	Rev Trust	
Common Stock								52,880	I	Spouse's Rev Trust	

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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)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		(
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to	\$ 12.48	12/12/2018		M		60,000	<u>(2)</u>	12/07/2020	Common Stock	60,000	

## **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	•

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHEEHAN JAMES N 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912

Senior V.P. & CFO

## **Signatures**

James N. Sheehan, by Power of Attorney 12/13/2018

\*\*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).
- Reflects the weighted average price of 60,000 shares of common stock of Hormel Foods Corporation sold by the reporting person in multiple transactions on December 12, 2018 with sale prices ranging from \$44.75 to \$45.09 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 7, 2011.

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