## DOLE FOOD CO INC Form 3 October 23, 2009 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Chao Elaine L.	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DOLE FOOD CO INC [DOLE]			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	10/23/2009	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
C/O DOLE FOOD COMPANY, INC., ONE DOLE DRIVE		(Check all applicable)			
(Street)		X_Director10% Owner OfficerOther (give title below) (specify below)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting		

## WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CAÂ 91362

(City)	(State)	(Zip)

#### 1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Ownership

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Form:

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Person

Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Person

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Form filed by More than One

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

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

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#### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	

(Instr. 5)

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Chao Elaine L. C/O DOLE FOOD COMPANY, INC. ONE DOLE DRIVE WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91362	ÂX	Â	Â	Â		
Signatures						
/s/ C. Michael Carter, attorney-in-fact	10/23/2	009				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date					
Explanation of Responses:						

## No securities are beneficially owned

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

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## **Remarks:**

#### Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney.

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