

TYSON FOODS INC
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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 *
Smith Donald

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY

(Street)

SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/03/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/03/2015 | | G | | 27,267 | D | \$ 0 |
| | | | | | | | 250,876.8067 (1) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/04/2015 | | G | | 19,798 | D | \$ 0 |
| | | | | | | | 231,078.8067 (1) |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/04/2015 | | G | | 22,000 | D | \$ 0 |
| | | | | | | | 209,078.8067 (1) |
| Class A Common | 12/17/2015 | | J(2) | | 252.4 | A | \$ 0 |
| | | | | | | | 209,331.2067 (3) |

Stock

| | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------|----------------------|---|------|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Class A Common Stock | 02/25/2016 | J ⁽⁴⁾ | 718,4465 | A | \$ 0 | 1,720.1672 | I | Employee Stock Purchase Plan |
| Class A Common Stock | 03/01/2016 | M | 5,312 ⁽⁵⁾ | A | \$ 0 | 214,643.2067 ⁽³⁾ | 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. 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 or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| 4.75 Percent Tangible Equity Units | ⁽⁵⁾ | 03/01/2016 | | M | 5,000 | ⁽⁵⁾ ⁽⁵⁾ | Class A Common Stock | 5,000 \$ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Smith Donald 2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY SPRINGDALE, AR 72762 | | | President & CEO | |

Signatures

s/ R. Read Hudson by power of Attorney for Donald
Smith

03/02/2016

__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) Includes 31,996.2930 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on the fourth business day following the filing of the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2016 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved; includes 26,882.2377 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on the fourth business day following the filing of the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2017 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved; and, includes 31,255 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on December 1, 2018 if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved.

(2) Represents shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock received by the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's dividend reinvestment plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 concurrent reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-11.

(3) Includes 32,085.892 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on the fourth business day following the filing of the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2016 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved; includes 26,957.5157 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on the fourth business day following the filing of the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2017 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved; and, includes 31,342.523 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on December 1, 2018 if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved.

(4) Represents shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock purchased for the Reporting Person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 concurrent reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

(5) Represents an election by the Reporting Person to settle prior to maturity the purchase contract component of the 4.75% Tangible Equity Units previously reported by the Reporting Person at the rate of 1.0624 shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock per unit.

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