

FORD SCOTT T  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
FORD SCOTT T

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2210 W. OAKLAWN  
(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)  
02/01/2008

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)

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            | 02/01/2008                           |  | A <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 5,551   | A  | \$ 0 23,000                       | D |
| Class A Common Stock            | 02/01/2008                           |  | A <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 1,214   | A  | \$ 0 24,214                       | D |
| Class A Common Stock            | 02/01/2008                           |  | J <sup>(3)</sup>               | V   | 29  | A  | \$ 0 24,243                       | 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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3) |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                          | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FORD SCOTT T<br>2210 W. OAKLAWN<br>SPRINGDALE, AR 72762 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

By: /s/R. Read Hudson, by Power of Attorney for  
Date: 02/05/2008

\_\_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) Represents a deferred stock award for shares of Class A Common Stock having a value of \$80,000 granted on the date of election as a director at the 2008 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (February 1, 2008), which award will not become payable until 180 days after termination of service as a director.
- (2) Shares acquired pursuant to the Tyson Foods Director Compensation Policy which permits directors of Tyson to elect to receive shares of Tyson Class A Common Stock in lieu of receiving all or part of their quarterly retainer in cash.
- (3) Represents 29 shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock received by the reporting person pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature under the Issuer's Stock Plans through February 1, 2008. Such acquisition is exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-11.

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