

Palmby Paul Laurence
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Palmby Paul Laurence

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SENECA FOODS CORP /NY/
 [SENEA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 3736 SOUTH MAIN STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/10/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Operating Officer

MARION, NY 14505
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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			
Seneca Foods Class A Common	08/10/2009		F	1,872 A <u>1</u>	6,229	D	
Seneca Foods Class A Common					2,087.5	I	401-K ⁽²⁾
Seneca Foods Class B Common					463.6	I	401-K ⁽²⁾

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)

Table with 10 columns: 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 (Instr. 5), 9. Number of Derivative Securities Reported (Instr. 5).

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Includes Palmby Paul Laurence, 3736 SOUTH MAIN STREET, MARION, NY 14505, Chief Operating Officer.

Signatures

Table with 2 columns: Signature, Date. Includes Jeffrey L. Van Riper, As Attorney in Fact, 10/05/2009.

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).
Award of restricted stock pursuant to the Company's 2007 Equity Incentive Plan, which was approved by the shareholders of the Company on August 10, 2007. No price was paid by the Reporting Person in connection with this award of shares of restricted stock which vest 25% per year over the next four years.
(2) 401-K match and elective holdings.

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