

Mendes Michael J
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

Â Mendes Michael J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

09/24/2011

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ [HRL]

4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer

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

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer ☐ Other
(give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group
Filing(Check Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting
Person
☐ Form filed by More than One
Reporting Person

1 HORMEL PLACE

(Street)

AUSTIN,Â MNÂ 55912

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

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

3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

2,250 ⁽¹⁾

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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
Derivative
Security

5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:
Direct (D)
or Indirect

6. Nature of Indirect
Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Date
Exercisable

Expiration
Date

Title

Amount or
Number of

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	03/24/2012	09/24/2021	Common Stock	3,300	\$ 26.88	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mendes Michael J 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912	Â X	Â	Â	Â

Signatures

Michael J. Mendes, By Power of Attorney

09/27/2011

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) All 2,250 shares being reported are subject to certain restrictions (including possible forfeiture) applicable to restricted stock grants under the 2009 Long-Term Incentive Plan and the Restricted Stock Award Agreement.

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