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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 4 or

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A BINDER S'	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ [HRL]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) 1 HORMEI	(First)	(Mont			ransaction			Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
AUSTIN, N	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own									y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	r) Execution any		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	11/27/2017			M	50,000	A	\$ 6.315	61,898.4307	D		
Common Stock	11/27/2017			S	25,000	D	\$ 34.25	36,898.4307	D		
Common Stock	11/27/2017			S	25,000	D	\$ 34.1 (1)	11,898.4307	D		
Common Stock								336,924.322	I	Spouse's Rev Trust	

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)			6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		{ } (
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.315	11/27/2017		M		50,000	<u>(2)</u>	12/02/2018	Common Stock	50,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BINDER STEVEN G 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Steven G. Binder, by Power of Attorney

11/28/2017

**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).
- Reflects the weighted average price of 25,000 shares of common stock of Hormel Foods Corporation sold by the reporting person in multiple transactions on November 27, 2017 with sale prices ranging from \$34.07 to \$34.125 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 2, 2009.

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