

Tesoriero Joseph S.
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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 *
Tesoriero Joseph S.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DOLE FOOD CO INC [DOLE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O DOLE FOOD COMPANY, INC., ONE DOLE DRIVE

(Street)

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91362

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/11/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP & CFO

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 12/11/2012 | | S | | 1,600 (1) D \$ 12 (2) 74,331 (3) | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/12/2012 | | S | | 11,400 (1) D \$ 12.0002 (4) 62,931 (3) | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | I | See Footnote (5) |
| Common Stock | | | | | | I | See Footnote (6) |

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- (3) Of these shares: (a) 16,667 are restricted and vest in full on 11/21/2014; and (b) 16,667 are restricted and vest in full on 11/29/2013.
- (4) The shares were sold in two transactions: 11,200 shares at \$12.00 per share and 200 shares at \$12.01 per share
- (5) As UGMA Custodian for eldest son's custodial account.
- (6) As UGMA Custodian for middle son's custodial account.
- (7) As UGMA Custodian for youngest son's custodial account.

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