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## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Webster Jeffrey Issuer Symbol TYSON FOODS INC [TSN] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify \_X\_\_ Officer (give title 2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY 10/04/2010 below) below) Group VP Renewable Products (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SPRINGDALE, AR 72762 Person

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-	-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)				4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		F1
Class A Common Stock	09/30/2010		J(1)	V	1,148	A	\$0	12,160	I	Employee Stock Purchase Plan
Class A Common Stock	09/30/2010		J(2)	V	108	A	\$0	65,805	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities Acquired		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	' (A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Share	
Performance Shares	(3)	10/04/2010		A(3) V	7 5,535.0554	(3)	(3)	Class A Common	5,53	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Webster Jeffrey 2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

**Group VP Renewable Products** 

## **Signatures**

Jeffrey Webster 10/05/2010

\*\*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).
- Represents 1,148 shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock purchased for the Reporting Person's account under the Issuer's Employee (1) Stock Purchase Plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such aquisitions are exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- Represents 108 shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock aquired by the Reporting Person pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature (2) under the Tyson Foods, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan since the last Statement of Changes to Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such aquisition is exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-11.
- This award will vest or expire two business days following the Issuer's 2013 fiscal year based upon a comparison of the market price of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock to a peer group of publicly traded companies. The number of performance shares that can vest under the awards range from 50% to 150% of a target level, and the number of derivative securities reported herein is at the maximum vesting level of 150%.

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