

TYSON FOODS INC

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MCNAIR SCOTT

FORM 3

(Initial Statement of Beneficial Ownership)

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Address	2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY SPRINGDALE, AR 72762-6999
Telephone	479-290-4000
CIK	0000100493
Symbol	TSN
SIC Code	2015 - Poultry Slaughtering and Processing
Industry	Food Processing
Sector	Consumer/Non-Cyclical
Fiscal Year	09/30

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (MM/DD/YYYY)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		
McNair Scott			10/10/2007		TYSON FOODS INC [TSN]		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
2210 WEST OAKLAWN DRIVE			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Group VP of Consumer Products /				
(Street)			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
SPRINGDALE, AR 72762					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(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)
Class A Common Stock	63935	D	
Class A Common Stock	156	I	By ESPP

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (MM/DD/YYYY)		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 (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	10/10/2004 (1)	10/10/2012	Class A Common Stock	816	\$9.64	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	9/19/2005 (1)	9/18/2013	Class A Common Stock	2400	\$13.33	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	9/29/2014	Class A Common Stock	4800	\$15.96	D	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	11/16/2007 (1)	11/16/2015	Class A Common Stock	8000	\$16.35	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	11/17/2008 (1)	11/17/2016	Class A Common Stock	8000	\$15.37	D	
Performance Shares	(2)	(2)	Class A Common STock	21008.4034	(2)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) The stock options vest at 40% on the second anniversary of the grant date, the date indicated herein is the first vesting date, and 20% each year thereafter for 3 years.
- (2) The award will vest or expire two business days following the Issuer's 2010 fiscal year based upon a comparison of the market price of 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 the target level, and the number of derivative securities reported herein is at the maximum vesting level of 150%.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
McNair Scott 2210 WEST OAKLAWN DRIVE SPRINGDALE, AR 72762			Group VP of Consumer Products	

Signatures

Nathan Hodne as attorney-in-fact for Scott McNair

10/19/2007

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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