

# TYSON FOODS INC

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**TOLLETT LELAND E**

## FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in 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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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP  
OF SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public  
Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the  
Investment Company Act of 1940

<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</b>  <b>TOLLETT LELAND E</b> <small>(Last) (First) (Middle)</small>  <b>2210 W. OAKLAWN</b> <small>(Street)</small>  <b>SPRINGDALE, AR 72762</b> <small>(City) (State) (Zip)</small>	<b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b>  <b>TYSON FOODS INC [ (TSN) ]</b>  <b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)</b>  <p align="center"><b>12/8/2003</b></p>	<b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)</b>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <span style="float:right">_____ 10% Owner</span> <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <span style="float:right">_____ Other (specify below)</span>  <b>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</b>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>		

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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
Class A Common Stock	12/8/2003		G (1)		14570	D	\$0	2793127	D	
Class A Common Stock	3/19/2007		J (2) (3)		53591	A	\$18.10	2846718	D	
Class A Common Stock	3/19/2007		J (2) (3)		946409	D	\$18.10	1900309	D	
Class A Common Stock								14786	I	By ESPP (4)
Class A Common Stock								120567	I	By Spouse
Class A Common Stock								108000	I	By Tollett Farms

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Contract to Sell	(2) (3)	3/19/2007		J (2) (3)		1		3/19/2007	3/19/2007	Class A Common Stock	1000000.0000	(2) (3)	0.0000	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- (1) Shares given in six separate gifts of 1,457 shares each and two separate gifts of 2,914 shares each.
- (2) On March 19, 2004, Mr. Tollett entered into a pre-paid variable equity forward contract with an unaffiliated third party buyer. Under the terms of the contract, Mr. Tollett agreed to deliver a number of shares of Tyson Class A Common Stock on the expiration date of the contract as follows: (i) if the Final Price is less than the Floor Price of \$17.13/share, then 1,000,000 shares; (ii) if the Final Price is less than or equal to the Cap Price of \$23.98/share, but greater than or equal to the Floor Price, then a number of shares equal to 1,000,000

times the Floor Price divided by the Final Price; or (iii) if the Final Price is greater than the Cap Price, then a number of shares equal to 1,000,000 multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the sum of the Floor Price and the difference between the Final Price and the Cap Price, and the denominator of which is the Final Price. Mr. Tollett also had the option to direct that the contract be settled in cash.

- (3) The prepaid variable equity forward contract referred to in footnote (2) expired on March 19, 2007 in accordance with its terms without further direction from Mr. Tollett. On the expiration date, the Final Price was \$18.10 (based on the closing price for Tyson's Class A Common Stock on March 19, 2007) which was greater than the Floor Price but less than the Cap Price, resulting in Mr. Tollett delivering 946,409 shares to the buyer and retaining the remaining 53,591 shares of the original 1,000,000 shares of Tyson Class A Common Stock subject to the contract.
- (4) Represents 656 shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock purchased from October 1, 2007 to October 31, 2007 for the reporting person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-3.

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
<b>TOLLETT LELAND E 2210 W. OAKLAWN SPRINGDALE, AR 72762</b>	<b>X</b>			

**Signatures**

**By: R. Read Hudson, by power of attorney for**

**12/21/2007**

\*\* 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 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).

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