

TYSON FOODS INC

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LOVETTE WILLIAM W

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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Telephone	479-290-4000
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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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
Lovette William W			TYSON FOODS INC [(TSN)]			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Sr Group VP Pltry & Prep Fds		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)					
			5/2/2006					
697 LAURAL RIDGE			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
(Street)						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
SPRINGDALE, AR 72764								
(City) (State) (Zip)								

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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	5/2/2006		M		12000	A	\$9.32	159763	D	
Class A Common Stock	5/2/2006		M		9000	A	\$9.64	168763	D	
Class A Common Stock	5/2/2006		S		21000	D	\$14.78	147763	D	
Class A Common Stock	3/31/2006		J	v	453 (1)	A	\$0	1479	I	By ESPP

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				
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$9.32	5/2/2006		M		12000	10/15/2003 (2)	10/15/2011	Class A Common Stock	12000	\$0	3000	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$9.64	5/2/2006		M		9000	10/10/2004 (3)	10/10/2012	Class A Common Stock	9000	\$0	6000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Includes 453 shares purchased from 11-01-05 through 03-31-06 for the reporting person's account in the Tyson Foods, Inc Employee Stock Purchase Plan which transactions are exempt under Section 16 (b)(3).
- (2) The stock options vest at 40% on 10-15-03 and 20% each year thereafter for 3 years.
- (3) The Stock Options vest at 40% on 10-10-04 and 20% each year thereafter for 3 years.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lovette William W 697 LAURAL RIDGE SPRINGDALE, AR 72764			Sr Group VP Pltry & Prep Fds	

Signatures/s/ Lovette, William W5/4/2006

** 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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