

TYSON FOODS INC

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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		
Calaway Curt			8/24/2012		TYSON FOODS INC [TSN]		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Sr.VP-Controller & CAO /				
(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	21390 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Class A Common Stock	6090	I	Employee Stock Purchase Plan

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 Options (right to buy)	11/17/2008 ⁽²⁾	11/17/2016	Class A Common Stock	2000	\$15.37	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	11/16/2009 ⁽³⁾	11/16/2017	Class A Common Stock	2000	\$15.06	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Options	11/14/2010	11/14/2018	Class A				

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			
(right to buy)	(4)		Common Stock	6000	\$4.9	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	11/30/2010 (5)	11/30/2019	Class A Common Stock	6000	\$12.02	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	11/29/2011 (5)	11/29/2020	Class A Common Stock	6000	\$16.19	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	11/28/2012 (5)	11/28/2021	Class A Common Stock	6000	\$19.63	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Includes 10,905 shares of restricted stock scheduled to vest on 8-27-2015.
- (2) The Stock Options vest at 40% on 11-17-2008 and 20% each year thereafter for the following three years.
- (3) The Stock Options vest at 40% on 11-17-2009 and 20% each year thereafter for the following three years.
- (4) The Stock Options vest at 40% on 11-17-2010 and 20% each year thereafter for the following three years.
- (5) The Stock Options vest at 33 1/3 % on each of the first, second and third anniversary dates of the Grant.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Calaway Curt 2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY SPRINGDALE, AR 72762			Sr.VP-Controller & CAO	

Signatures

Curt Calaway _____ **8/28/2012**

** 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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