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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ [HRL] Venenga Steven J (Month/Day/Year) 10/31/2011 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1 HORMEL PLACE 11/04/2011 (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Director 10% Owner _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer _Other (give title below) (specify below) AUSTIN, MNÂ 55912-3680 Form filed by More than One Vice President Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities (Instr. 4) Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Stock D Â 436.405 (1) Ι Common Stock 968.971 401(k) Trust Common Stock 428.845 Ι JEPST Trust Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)

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			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(2)	12/07/2014	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 15.035	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(3)	12/06/2015	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 16.37	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(4)	12/05/2016	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 19.355	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(5)	01/08/2017	Common Stock	200	\$ 18.705	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(6)	12/04/2017	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 20.07	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(7)	12/02/2018	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 12.63	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(8)	12/01/2019	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 19.125	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(9)	12/07/2020	Common Stock	6,000	\$ 24.96	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
FS	Director	Director 10% Owner Officer		Other		
Venenga Steven J 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912-3680	Â	Â	Vice President	Â		

Signatures

Steven J Venenga, By Power of Attorney 11/04/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person

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

- (1) All share amounts reflect the stock split effective February 1, 2011.
- (2) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 7, 2005.
- (3) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 6. 2006.
- (4) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 5, 2007.
- (5) These options, received as the result of a universal stock option award, fully vested on December 15, 2010.

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- (6) The option vests in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 4, 2008.
- (7) The option vests in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 2, 2009.
- (8) The option vests in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December December 1, 2010.
- (9) The option vests in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 7, 2011.

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