

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <b>Tu Amy</b>	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (MM/DD/YYYY) <b>12/18/2017</b>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>TYSON FOODS INC [TSN]</b>
(Last) (First) (Middle) <b>2200 W DON TYSON PARKWAY</b>	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>EVP &amp; General Counsel /</b>	
(Street) <b>SPRINGDALE, AR 72762</b>	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <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)
<b>Class A Common Stock</b>	<b>3690.945 (1)</b>	<b>D</b>	

### 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			
<b>Performance Shares</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>Class A Common Stock</b>	<b>14763.78</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>D</b>	
<b>Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy)</b>	<b>12/15/2018</b>	<b>12/15/2027</b>	<b>Class A Common Stock</b>	<b>15271.0 (3)</b>	<b>\$81.28</b>	<b>D</b>	

#### Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Award of Class A Common Stock which vests on November 20, 2020 if the performance metric described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement (the Incentive Agreement) is achieved and the Reporting Person is employed by the Issuer on the vesting date. The performance metric is achievement of a three year (fiscal 2018-2020) cumulative operating income target as set forth in the Incentive Agreement. If the performance metric is not achieved, the award expires.
- (2) Award of performance Class A Common Stock which vests on November 20, 2020 if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved. The performance metrics set forth in the Stock Incentive Agreement are (1) achievement of a three year (fiscal 2018-2020) cumulative operating income target and (2) a favorable comparison of the relative total shareholder return of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock compared to a predetermined peer group of publicly traded companies over a three year (fiscal 2018-2020) period. Subject to the achievement of the performance criteria, the performance shares could vest at a level of 50 percent to 200 percent and are reported as derivative securities at the 200 percent level. If neither of the performance metrics is achieved, the award expires.
- (3) 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
Tu Amy 2200 W DON TYSON PARKWAY SPRINGDALE, AR 72762			EVP & General Counsel	

**Signatures**

/s/ R. Read Hudson by Power of Attorney for Amy Tu

12/19/2017

\*\*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).

\*\* 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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