

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 *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (MM/DD/YYYY)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		
Ramsey Douglas Wayne			4/11/2017		TYSON FOODS INC [TSN]		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
2200 W 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) President Poultry /				
(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	95.3337	I	Employee Stock Purchase Plan
Class A Common Stock	4992.4788 (1)	D	

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)	11/21/2015 (2)	11/21/2024	Class A Common Stock	6966.0	\$42.26	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy)	11/30/2016 (2)	11/30/2025	Class A Common Stock	4359.0	\$50.0	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy)	11/28/2017 (2)	11/28/2026	Class A Common Stock	5589.0	\$58.34	D	
Performance Shares	(3)	(3)	Class A Common Stock	6000.0	(3)	D	
Performance Shares	(4)	(4)	Class A Common Stock	5142.27	(4)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Includes 2,172.3438 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on November 21, 2017; 1,525.309 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on

November 30, 2018 and 1,294,826 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on November 28, 2019.

- (2) The stock options vest at 33 1/3% on each of the first, second, and third anniversary dates of the grant.
- (3) Award of performance Class A Common Stock which vests on the fourth business day following the filing of the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2018 fiscal year if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement are achieved. The performance criteria set forth in the Stock Incentive Agreement are (1) achievement of a three year (fiscal 2016-2018) cumulative EBIT target and (2) a favorable comparison of the market price of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock to a predetermined peer group of publicly traded companies selected by the Compensation and Leadership Development Committee of the Board of Directors of Issuer over a three year (fiscal 2016-2018) period. Subject to the achievement of the performance criteria, the performance shares could vest at a level of 50%-200% and are reported as derivative securities at the 200% level. If neither of the performance criteria is achieved, the award expires.
- (4) Award of performance Class A Common Stock which vests on November 18, 2019 if the performance metrics described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement (the SIA) are achieved. The performance criteria are (1) achievement of a three year (fiscal 2017-2019) cumulative EBIT target as set forth in the SIA and (2) a comparison of the total shareholder return of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock to a predetermined peer group of publicly traded companies selected by the Compensation and Leadership Development Committee of the Board of Directors of Issuer over a three year (fiscal 2017-2019) period, as more particularly described in the SIA. If neither of the performance metrics is achieved, the award expires. Subject to the achievement of the performance criteria, the performance shares could vest at a level of 50%-200% and are reported as derivative securities as the 200% level. If neither of the performance criteria is achieved, the award expires.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ramsey Douglas Wayne 2200 W DON TYSON PARKWAY SPRINGDALE, AR 72762			President Poultry	

Signatures

/s/ Douglas W. Ramsey

4/13/2017

**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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