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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Whitmore Justin (Last) (First) (Middle) 2200 W DON TYSON PARKWAY (Street) SPRINGDALE, AR 72762 (City) (State) (Zip) | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TYSON FOODS INC [TSN] | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ____ Director _____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) EVP Cont Impr & CSO | |
| | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) 9/18/2018 | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | |
| | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) | | | |

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 | 9/18/2018 | | J | | 85,929 | A | \$0 | 6677,325 | | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/19/2018 | | A | | 4207,338 | A | \$0 | 10884,663 | | D |

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

| 1. Title of Derivative 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$59.42 | 11/19/2018 | | A | | 22027 | | 11/19/2019 | 11/19/2028 | Class A Common Stock | 22027.0 | \$59.42 | 22027 | D | |
| Performance Shares | | 11/19/2018 | | A | | 16829,35 | | | | Class A Common Stock | 16829,35 | | 16829,35 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Represents shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock received by the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's dividend reinvestment plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 concurrent reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-11.
- Includes 4,395.195 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on May 12, 2020 if the Reporting Person is employed by the Issuer on the vesting date and 2,282.13 shares which vest on November 13, 2020 if the performance metric described in the applicable Stock Incentive Agreement (the "SIA") are achieved and the Reporting Person is employed by the Issuer on the vesting date.
- Award of Class A Common Stock which vests on November 29, 2021 if the performance metric described in the applicable SIA is achieved. The performance metric is the achievement of a three year (fiscal 2019-2021) cumulative adjusted operating income target as set forth in the SIA. If the performance metric is not achieved, the award expires.
- Includes 4,395.195 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on May 12, 2020 if the Reporting Person is employed by the Issuer on the vesting date and 2,282.13 shares which vest on November 13, 2020 if the performance metric described in the applicable SIA is achieved and the Reporting Person is employed by the Issuer on the vesting date; and 4,207.338 shares of Class A Common Stock which vest on November 29, 2021 if the performance metric described in the applicable SIA is achieved.
- The stock options vest at 33 1/3% on each of the first, second, and third anniversary dates of the grant.
- Award of performance Class A Common Stock which vests on November 29, 2021 if the performance metrics described in the applicable SIA are achieved. The performance metrics set forth in the SIA are (1) achievement of a three year (fiscal 2019-2021) 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 2019-2021) period. Subject to the achievement of the performance metrics, the performance shares could vest at a level of 50 to 200 percent and are reported as derivative securities at the 200 percent level. If neither of the performance metrics are achieved, the award expires.

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer |
| Whitmore Justin 2200 W DON TYSON PARKWAY SPRINGDALE, AR 72762 | | | EVP Cont Impr & CSO |

Signatures

/s/ R. Read Hudson by Power of Attorney for Justin Whitmore 11/21/2018

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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