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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Coffey Mark A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ [HRL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 1 HORMEL	(First) PLACE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/29/2019	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) Senior Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit Dibror Dispos (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of (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)
Common Stock	03/29/2019		M	8,000	A		37,134.638	D	
Common Stock	03/29/2019		M	16,000	A	\$ 14.8	53,134.638	D	
Common Stock	03/29/2019		S	15,058	D	\$ 44.6401 (1)	38,076.638	D	
Common Stock							1,607.088	I	401(K) Plan
Common Stock							8,619.346	Ι	JEPST Plan

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or 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. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 1 9 (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.5625	03/29/2019		M	8,000	(2)	12/07/2020	Common Stock	8,000	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.8	03/29/2019		M	16,000	(3)	12/06/2021	Common Stock	16,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Coffey Mark A

1 HORMEL PLACE Senior Vice President

AUSTIN, MN 55912-3680

Signatures

Mark A. Coffey, By Power of Attorney 04/02/2019

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Reflects the weighted average price of 15,058 shares of common stock of Hormel Foods Corporation sold by the reporting person in multiple transactions on March 29, 2019 with sale prices ranging from \$44.615 to \$44.665 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information

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regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

- (2) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 7, 2011.
- (3) The option vested in four equal annual installments, with the first group vesting on December 6, 2012.

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