DEAN FOODS CO Form 4 January 03, 2008

### FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A MUSE JOH	ddress of Reporting I N R	Symbol	er Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading FOODS CO [DF]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
	(First) (M	(Month/I	of Earliest Transaction Day/Year) 2007	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
1600				,			
	(Street)		endment, Date Original nth/Day/Year)	<ul><li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check</li><li>Applicable Line)</li><li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li></ul>			
DALLAS, T	°X 75201			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-Derivative Securities	Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or Code V Amount (D) Proceedings (A)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)  6. Ownership Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	12/31/2007		A $\frac{1,050}{(1)}$ A \$	0 253,201 D			
Common Stock				2,550 I by Spouse $\frac{(2)}{2}$			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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## $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of S	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-SI000779)	\$ 11.2299					06/30/1998(3)	06/30/2008	Common Stock	22.	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002931)	\$ 11.2299					06/30/1998(3)	06/30/2008	Common Stock	10.	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000726)	\$ 11.2299					06/30/1998(3)	06/30/2008	Common Stock	4,	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002936)	\$ 11.2299					06/30/1998(3)	06/30/2008	Common Stock	1,	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-SI001314)	\$ 8.0206					06/30/1999(3)	06/30/2009	Common Stock	22.	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002932)	\$ 8.0206					06/30/1999(3)	06/30/2009	Common Stock	10.	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000634)	\$ 8.0206					06/30/1999(3)	06/30/2009	Common Stock	4,	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to	\$ 8.0206					06/30/1999(3)	06/30/2009	Common Stock	1,9	

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buy-DV002937)					
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-SI001803)	\$ 9.3614	06/30/2000(3)	06/30/2010	Common Stock	22,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002942)	\$ 9.3614	06/30/2000(3)	06/30/2010	Common Stock	10,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000639)	\$ 9.3614	06/30/2000(3)	06/30/2010	Common Stock	4,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002938)	\$ 9.3614	06/30/2000(3)	06/30/2010	Common Stock	1,9
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-SF002505)	\$ 10.1707	06/29/2001(3)	06/29/2011	Common Stock	22,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002944)	\$ 10.1707	06/29/2001(3)	06/29/2011	Common Stock	10,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000645)	\$ 10.1707	06/27/2005(3)	06/29/2011	Common Stock	4,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002939)	\$ 10.1707	06/29/2001(3)	06/29/2011	Common Stock	1,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF002170)	\$ 14.2351	07/01/2002(3)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	22.
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002945)	\$ 14.2351	07/01/2002(3)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	10,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000654)	\$ 14.2351	07/01/2002(3)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	4,

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Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002940)	\$ 14.2351	07/01/2002(3)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	1,9
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF002880)	\$ 18.1003	06/30/2003(3)	06/30/2013	Common Stock	7,:
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002946)	\$ 18.1003	06/30/2003(3)	06/30/2013	Common Stock	3,:
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000784)	\$ 18.1003	06/30/2003(3)	06/30/2013	Common Stock	1,3
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002934)	\$ 18.1003	06/30/2003(3)	06/30/2013	Common Stock	6
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF003669)	\$ 21.4389	06/30/2004(3)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	7,:
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002943)	\$ 21.4389	06/30/2004(3)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	3,:
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000794)	\$ 21.4389	06/30/2004(3)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	1,3
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002935)	\$ 21.4389	06/30/2004(3)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	6
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF905923)	\$ 23.9808	06/30/2005(3)	06/30/2015	Common Stock	7,:
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002941)	\$ 23.9808	06/30/2005(3)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	3,:

#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MUSE JOHN R 200 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 1600 DALLAS, TX 75201

#### **Signatures**

John R. Muse 01/03/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) These are restricted shares issued under the Issuer's 2007 Stock Incentive Plan in payment of fees owed for services as an independent director. All such shares are subject to vesting in three increments, with the first vesting occurring as of the date the shares were issued.
- (2) Mr. Muse disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares not directly owned by him.
- (3) The options were automatically granted under the Issuer's 1997 Amended and Restated Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan, and are fully vested and immediately exercisable upon grant.

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