

DEAN FOODS CO/  
Form 8-K  
October 19, 2005

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of report (Date of earliest event reported):**  
October 19, 2005 (October 14, 2005)

**Dean Foods Company**

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**(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)**

Delaware

1-12755

75-2559681

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**(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)**

**(Commission  
File Number)**

**(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)**

2515 McKinney Avenue, Suite 1200  
Dallas, TX

75201

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**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**(Zip Code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code:** (214) 303-3400

Not Applicable.

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**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)**

Check the appropriate box if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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On October 14, 2005, we announced that Barry Fromberg will resign from his position as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of our company. In order to ensure a smooth transition, Mr. Fromberg will remain in his position until his successor is selected and our 2005 financial statements have been completed and filed, which we expect to be on or around April 1, 2006. We intend to conduct a search, including both internal and external candidates, for Mr. Fromberg's successor. We expect to enter into an agreement with Mr. Fromberg pursuant to which he will agree to remain in his position until his successor is selected and our 2005 financial statements have been completed and filed, which we expect to be on or around April 1, 2006, and to make himself available to assist with transition issues that may arise after April 1, 2006, in exchange for certain financial consideration.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 19, 2005

DEAN FOODS COMPANY

By: /s/ Lisa N. Tyson  
Lisa N. Tyson  
*Senior Vice President and  
Deputy General Counsel*