HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ Form 8-K November 23, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

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) November 23, 2005

HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-2402 (Commission File Number) 41-0319970 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

1 Hormel Place Austin, MN 55912

(Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (507) 437-5611

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 2 FINANCIAL INFORMATION **Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition** On November 23, 2005, the Company issued an earnings release announcing its financial results for the fourth quarter ended October 30, 2005. A copy of the earnings release is furnished as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference. Section 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits** Exhibits furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 (c) Earnings release issued November 23, 2005 99 **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. **HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION** (Registrant) November 23, 2005 /s/M. J. McCOY Dated: By M. J. McCOY **Executive Vice President** and Chief Financial Officer

By

/s/J. H. FERAGEN

Dated:

November 23, 2005

J. H. FERAGEN Vice President and Treasurer