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Snee James P S			er Name and Ticker or	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	HORM [HRL]	EL FOODS CORI	(Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First)	(Middle)		of Earliest Transaction		Director X Officer (give		Owner er (specify
1 HORMEL PLACE(Month01/06/			Day/Year) 2017	below) below) President and CEO			
			endment, Date Origina	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
Filed(Mor			nth/Day/Year)		Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
(City) (State)	(Zip)	T 1		G	Person	D (* ' 1)	
	-		le I - Non-Derivative	-	· - ·		•
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution any		Transaction(A) or Di Code (Instr. 3, 4 (Instr. 8)	(A) or	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 01/06/2017 Stock			Code V Amount M 400	(D) Price A \$ 9.3525	4,833.781 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Stock					34,611.027 (1)	Ι	401(K) Plan
Common Stock					13,571.696 (1)	Ι	JEPST Plan

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number onof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date U		Underlying S	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.3525 (1)	01/06/2017		М	400 (1)	12/16/2010 <u>(2)</u>	01/08/2017	Common Stock	400	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Snee James P 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912			President and CEO				
Signatures							

James P Snee, By Power of Attorney

01/09/2017 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 two-for-one stock split effective January 27, 2016.
- (2) These options, received as a result of a universal stock option award, fully vested on December 16, 2010.

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