

DEAN FOODS CO/  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**FROMBERG BARRY A**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2515 MCKINNEY AVENUE, LB  
30, SUITE 1200

(Street)

DALLAS, TX 75201

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**DEAN FOODS CO/ [DF]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**09/28/2005**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Executive Vice President**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	(A) or (D)	5. Amount or Price	6. Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect (I) or Direct (D) (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/28/2005		M	25,000	A	\$ 0	75,196.001	D
Common Stock	09/28/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>		S	28,900	D	\$ 38.5	46,296.001	D
Common Stock	09/28/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>		S	300	D	\$ 38.51	45,996.001	D
Common Stock	09/28/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>		S	4,600	D	\$ 38.52	41,396.001	D
Common Stock	09/28/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>		S	100	D	\$ 38.53	41,296.001	D

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Common Stock	09/28/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	S	7,608	D	\$ 38.55	33,688.001	D
Common Stock	09/28/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	S	100	D	\$ 38.56	33,588.001	D
Common Stock	09/28/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	S	500	D	\$ 38.57	33,088.001	D

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nur Sha
Deferred Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0					01/07/2004	01/07/2013	Common Stock	20
Deferred Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0					01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	3
Deferred Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0					01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	12
Deferred Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0					01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	2
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0					01/10/2006	01/10/2015	Common Stock	20
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0					01/10/2006	01/10/2015	Common Stock	3
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 20.9355					01/06/2004	01/06/2013	Common Stock	4
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 20.9355					01/06/2004	01/06/2013	Common Stock	

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Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 26.3199					01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	3
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 26.3199					01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 26.8941					01/14/2003	01/14/2012	Common Stock	5
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 26.8941					01/14/2003	01/14/2012	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 13.7918	09/28/2005		M	25,000	08/28/1999	08/28/2008	Common Stock	23
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 13.7918					08/28/1999	08/28/2008	Common Stock	1
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 12.1383					01/22/2001	01/22/2011	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 12.1383					01/22/2001	01/22/2011	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 17.1835					01/14/2003	01/14/2012	Common Stock	11
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 17.1835					01/14/2003	01/14/2012	Common Stock	2
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 17.1835					01/14/2003	01/14/2012	Common Stock	73
	\$ 17.1835					01/14/2003	01/14/2012		13



## 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) Sales are pursuant to a 10b5-1 Sales Plan dated November 29, 2004 between reporting person and Bear Stearns & Co., Inc., acting as agent, to permit the orderly disposition of a portion of the reporting person's holdings of the Issuer's common stock, par value \$01 per share of Dean Foods Company

(2) A Stock Unit, which is issued under the Company's 1989 Stock Awards Plan, is a right to receive one share of Common Stock of the Issuer in the future, subject to the terms and conditions of the award agreement. The units vest annually, on a prorata basis, over a five-year period beginning on the first anniversary date of grant, subject to certain accelerated vesting provisions.

(3) The shares of common stock subject to the Option vest ratably in three equal increments commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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