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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MUSE JOHN R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

DEAN FOODS CO [DF]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2008

200 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 1600

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street)

(Middle)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

DALLAS, TX 75201

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 2. 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Security Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) or Exercise

any

4. 5. TransactionNumber Code of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)

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	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of Sha
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF005296)	\$ 25.3078				06/30/2006(1)	06/30/2016	Common Stock	7,5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002933)	\$ 25.3078				06/30/2006(1)	06/30/2016	Common Stock	3,5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF006000)	\$ 31.87				06/29/2007(1)	06/29/2017	Common Stock	7,5
Restricted Stock Units (DF905934)	\$ 0				06/30/2006(2)	06/30/2015	Common Stock	8
Restricted Stock Units (DV005404)	\$ 0				06/30/2006(2)	06/30/2015	Common Stock	3
Restricted Stock Units (DU003822)	\$ 0				06/30/2007(2)	06/30/2016	Common Stock	1,
Restricted Stock Units (DV005208)	\$ 0				06/30/2007(2)	06/30/2016	Common Stock	7
Restricted Stock Units (DU003932)	\$ 0				06/29/2008(2)	06/29/2017	Common Stock	2,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MUSE JOHN R 200 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 1600	X					

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DALLAS, TX 75201

Signatures

John R. Muse by Angela B. Miro as Attorney-In-Fact

05/13/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) 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.
- The reporting person has received an award of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") which is a right to receive shares of common stock of the (2) Issuer in the future, subject to the terms and conditions of the RSU Award Agreement. The RSUs vest annually, on a prorata basis, over a three year period beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant.

Remarks:

SECOND OF TWO (2) FORM 4s FILED ON SAME DATE.

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