

DEAN FOODS CO
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FORM 4

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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 *
MUSE JOHN R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

200 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 1600

(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)
05/08/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/08/2009		M	39,157 A \$ 8.0206	341,975	D	
Common Stock					2,550	I	by Spouse. (1)

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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-SI001314)	\$ 8.0206	05/08/2009		M	22,500	06/30/1999 ⁽²⁾ 06/30/2009	Common Stock
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002932)	\$ 8.0206	05/08/2009		M	10,564	06/30/1999 ⁽²⁾ 06/30/2009	Common Stock
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000634)	\$ 8.0206	05/08/2009		M	4,146	06/30/1999 ⁽²⁾ 06/30/2009	Common Stock
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DV002937)	\$ 8.0206	05/08/2009		M	1,947	06/30/1999 ⁽²⁾ 06/30/2009	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MUSE JOHN R 200 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 1600 DALLAS, TX 75201		X		

Signatures

Angela B. Miro,
Attorney-In-Fact

05/12/2009

__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 reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares not directly owned by him.
 - (2) The options are fully vested and immediately exercisable upon grant.

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