DEAN FOODS CO/ Form 4 January 04, 2006

#### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

Common

Stock

12/30/2005

(Print or Type Responses)

may continue.

See Instruction

1. Name and AdDAVIS TON	ddress of Reporting P M C	Symb	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol DEAN FOODS CO/ [DF]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (M	iddle) 3. Dat	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)			(Cho	eck all applicable	e) % Owner	
500 CRESCI 270	ENT COURT, SU	JITE 12/30	0/2005			Officer (give below)	ve title Oth below)	er (specify	
	(Street)	4. If A	mendment, D	ate Original		6. Individual or	Joint/Group Fili	ng(Check	
		Filed(	Month/Day/Yea	r)		Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
DALLAS, T	X 75201					Person	wore than one re	porting	
(City)	(State)	Zip) T	able I - Non-l	Derivative S	Securities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date	if Transact	ionAcquired	d (A) or	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed	d of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Ye	ar) (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)	Reported			
					or	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
			Code V	/ Amount	(D) Price	(msu. 3 and 4)			

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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)

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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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securitie
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - SF002502)	\$ 14.9459					06/29/2001(2)	06/29/2011	Common Stock	22,50
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - T0000644)	\$ 14.9459					06/29/2001(2)	06/29/2011	Common Stock	4,14
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - DF002165)	\$ 20.9186					07/01/2002(2)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	22,50
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - T0000653)	\$ 20.9186					07/01/2002(2)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	4,14
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - DF002875)	\$ 26.5986					06/30/2003(2)	06/30/2013	Common Stock	7,50
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - T0000782)	\$ 26.5986					06/30/2003(2)	06/30/2013	Common Stock	1,38
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - DF003663)	\$ 31.5046					06/30/2004(2)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	7,50
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - T0000792)	\$ 31.5046					06/30/2004(2)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	1,38
	\$ 35.24					06/30/2005(2)	06/30/2015		7,50

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Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy - DF905917)				Common Stock	
Restricted Stock Units (DU000040)	\$ 0	06/30/2004(3)	06/30/2013	Common Stock	850
Restricted Stock Units (DU000040)	\$ 0	06/30/2004(3)	06/30/2013	Common Stock	156
Restricted Stock Units (DU000040)	\$ 0	06/30/2005(3)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	1,70
Restricted Stock Units (DU000040)	\$ 0	06/30/2005(3)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	313
Restricted Stock Units (DU000040)	\$ 0	06/30/2006(3)	06/30/2015	Common Stock	2,55

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
DAVIS TOM C 500 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 270 DALLAS, TX 75201	X					

## **Signatures**

Tom C. Davis 01/04/2006

\*\*Signature of Person Date

\*\*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).
- These are restricted shares issued under the Issuer's 1997 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan in payment of fees owed for services as (1) an independent director. All such shares are subject to vesting in three increments, with the first vesting occurring as of the date the shares were issued and then annually thereafter.
- (2) 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 (3) 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.

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