

DEAN FOODS CO  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BERNON ALAN J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2515 MCKINNEY AVENUE,  
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)  
01/13/2007

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)  
President - Dean Dairy Group

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/13/2007		M	25,000 (1) A	\$ 0 720,834.1354	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)**

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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. 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000354)	\$ 17.1835					01/14/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/14/2012	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000616)	\$ 17.1835					06/27/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/14/2012	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000355)	\$ 17.1835					01/14/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/14/2012	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000604)	\$ 17.1835					06/27/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/14/2012	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF002200)	\$ 20.9355					01/06/2004 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/06/2013	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000606)	\$ 20.9355					06/27/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/06/2013	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy-T0000015)	\$ 26.3199					01/13/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/13/2014	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-TU000143)	\$ 26.3199					01/13/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/13/2014	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy-T0001703)	\$ 26.3199					01/13/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/13/2014	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 26.3199					01/13/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/13/2014	Common Stock

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(right to buy-TU000144)									
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF003299)	\$ 26.3199					01/13/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/13/2014		Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000769)	\$ 26.3199					06/27/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/13/2014		Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy-DF902106)	\$ 26.8941					01/10/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/10/2015		Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy-T0001361)	\$ 26.8941					01/10/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/10/2015		Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-TU000145)	\$ 26.8941					01/10/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/10/2015		Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF902107)	\$ 26.8941					01/10/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/10/2015		Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-T0000797)	\$ 26.8941					01/10/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/10/2015		Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy-DF004887)	\$ 37.74					01/13/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/13/2016		Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF004888)	\$ 37.74					01/13/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/13/2016		Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units (DU000424)	\$ 0					09/19/2006 <sup>(3)</sup>	09/19/2015		Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units (DU003750)	\$ 0	01/13/2007		M	25,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/13/2007 <sup>(3)</sup>	01/13/2016		Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BERNON ALAN J 2515 MCKINNEY AVENUE, SUITE 1200 DALLAS, TX 75201	X		President - Dean Dairy Group	

## Signatures

Alan J. Bernon                      01/17/2007

\_\_Signature of                      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).
- (1) The reporting person was entitled to receive 25,000 shares of common stock of the Issuer pursuant to the vesting provisions in the 2006 Award of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs").
- (2) The shares of common stock subject to the Option shall vest ratably in three equal increments commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (3) A Restricted 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 three-year period beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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