

TYSON FOODS INC  
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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 \*  
Lovette William W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

697 LAURAL RIDGE

(Street)

SPRINGDALE, AR 72764

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
TYSON FOODS INC [(TSN)]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
09/28/2006

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)

Sr Group VP Pltry & Prep Fds

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or (D) Price   |  |   |
| Class A Common Stock            | 09/28/2006                           |  | M                              |   | 30,000 A \$ 11.5  | 177,763  | D   |
| Class A Common Stock            | 09/28/2006                           |  | S                              |   | 5,100 D \$ 16.3   | 172,663  | D   |
| Class A Common Stock            | 09/28/2006                           |  | S                              |   | 14,000 D \$ 16.32   | 158,663  | D   |
| Class A Common                  | 09/28/2006                           |  | S                              |   | 4,900 D \$ 16.33  | 153,763  | D   |

Stock

|                            |            |   |                      |   |             |         |   |         |
|----------------------------|------------|---|----------------------|---|-------------|---------|---|---------|
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 09/28/2006 | S | 4,700                | D | \$<br>16.36 | 149,063 | D |         |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 09/28/2006 | S | 1,300                | D | \$<br>16.37 | 147,763 | D |         |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 09/30/2006 | J | V 488 <sup>(1)</sup> | A | \$ 0        | 1,967   | I | By ESPP |

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |                      |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date                                   | Title                |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 11.5  | 09/28/2006                           |  | M                              | 30,000  | 03/29/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>                                | 03/29/2011  | Class A Common Stock |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                | Relationships |           |                              |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                      | Other |
| Lovette William W<br>697 LAURAL RIDGE<br>SPRINGDALE, AR 72764 |               |           | Sr Group VP Pltry & Prep Fds |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Lovette,  
William W 10/02/2006

\_\_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) Represents 488 shares purchased from 04-01-06 thru 09-30-06 for the reporting person's account under the Tyson Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan which transactions are exempt under Section 16b-3.
- (2) The Stock Options become exercisable in four equal annual installments, commencing two years after the date of grant, 03-29-01.

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