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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ [HRL] Minerich Phillip L (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1 HORMEL PLACE 01/04/2006 (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Director 10% Owner _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) AUSTIN, MNÂ 55912 Form filed by More than One Vice President Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Stock I JEPST Trust 1,162 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(1)	12/02/2013	Common Stock	2,500	\$ 26.93	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(1)	12/07/2014	Common Stock	2,500	\$ 30.07	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(2)	12/06/2015	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 32.74	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
F	Director 10% Owner Officer		Officer	Other		
Minerich Phillip L 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912	Â	Â	Vice President	Â		

Signatures

Phillip L Minerich, by Power of
Attorney

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Subject to four-year vesting schedule.
- (2) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on December 6, 2006.

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