

Leonard Bernard
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FORM 4

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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 *
Leonard Bernard

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2210 WEST OAKLAWN DRIVE

(Street)

SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/29/2008

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)

Group VP of Food Service

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			
Class A Common Stock	09/30/2008		J ⁽¹⁾	V 631 A \$ 0	57,430	D	
Class A Common Stock	09/30/2008		J ⁽²⁾	V 182 A \$ 0	1,508	I	By Employee Stock Purchase Plan
Class A Common Stock					52,734	I	By Trust

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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)

Table with 8 columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Derivative Securities, 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security. Row 1: Performance Shares, (3), 09/29/2008, A, 29,550.8274, (3), (3), Class A Common Stock.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Row 1: Leonard Bernard, 2210 WEST OAKLAWN DRIVE, SPRINGDALE, AR 72762; Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other.

Signatures

By: R. Read Hudson, by power of attorney for 10/01/2008
**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 631 shares of the Issuer's restricted Class A Common Stock acquired by the reporting person pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature...
(2) Represents 182 shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock purchased for the reporting person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan...
(3) The award will vest or expire two business days following the Issuer's 2011 fiscal year based upon a comparison of the market price of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock to a peer group of publicly traded companies...

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