DEAN FOODS CO/ Form 4 March 07, 2005

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NEVARES HECTOR M		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
		DEAN FOODS CO/ [DF]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
		(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
BOLIVIA 33 SUITE 303		03/04/2005	Officer (give titleOther (specify below)		
	(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
			X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (I and 5)))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/04/2005		A	103,500	A	\$ 3.5033	712,384	D	
Common Stock	03/04/2005		A	15,525	A	\$ 4.1067	727,909	D	
Common Stock	03/04/2005		A	30,975	A	\$ 9.75	758,884	D	
Common Stock	03/04/2005		D	125,800	D	\$ 35.25	633,084	D	
Common Stock	03/04/2005		D	12,100	D	\$ 35.26	620,984	D	
	03/04/2005		D	3,400	D	\$ 35.3	617,584	D	

Common Stock						
Common Stock	03/04/2005	D	1,200	D	\$ 35.32 616,384	D
Common Stock	03/04/2005	D	500	D	\$ 35.33 615,884	D
Common Stock	03/04/2005	D	100	D	\$ 35.34 615,784	D
Common Stock	03/04/2005	D	2,700	D	\$ 35.35 613,084	D
Common Stock	03/04/2005	D	400	D	\$ 35.36 612,684	D
Common Stock	03/04/2005	D	200	D	\$ 35.37 612,484	D
Common Stock	03/04/2005	D	200	D	\$ 35.38 612,284	D
Common Stock	03/04/2005	D	300	D	\$ 35.39 611,984	D
Common Stock	03/04/2005	D	100	D	\$ 35.4 611,884	D
Common Stock	03/04/2005	D	2,400	D	\$ 35.41 609,484	D
Common Stock	03/04/2005	D	600	D	\$ 35.31 608,884	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)

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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 3.5033	03/04/2005		M	103,500	11/26/1997 <u>(1)</u>	04/05/2005	Common Stock

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(right to buy)							
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.1067	03/04/2005	M	15,525	11/26/1997(1)	01/01/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.75	03/04/2005	M	30,975	11/26/1997(2)	05/13/2007	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.5433				06/30/1998(2)	06/30/2008	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.9583				06/30/1999(2)	06/30/2009	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.2917				06/30/2000(2)	06/30/2010	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.7				06/29/2001(2)	06/29/2011	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.7733				07/01/2002(2)	07/01/2012	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.5				06/30/2003(2)	06/30/2013	Common Stock
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0				06/30/2004(3)	06/30/2013	Common Stock
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0				06/30/2005(3)	06/30/2014	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 37.31				06/30/2004(2)	06/30/2014	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
.t	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
NEVARES HECTOR M							
BOLIVIA 33 SUITE 303	X						
HATO REY, PR 00917							

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**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).
- The options were granted under the Issuer's 1995 Option and Restricted Stock Plan, with vesting ratably over a three year period (1) commencing on the first anniversary date of the grant date, subject to certain accelerated vesting provisions of the Stock Option Award Agreement.
- (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 Deferred Stock Units ("DSUs") 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 DSU Award Agreement. The DSUs vest annually, on a prorata basis, over a three year period beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant.

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