DEAN FOODS CO/ Form 4 April 04, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(City)

SECURITIES

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **NEVARES HECTOR M**

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

(Zip)

DEAN FOODS CO/[DF] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

BOLIVIA 33 -- SUITE 303

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

03/04/2005

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

HATO REY, PR 00917

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

03/31/2005

Code V Amount (D) Price \$0 745 A

609,629

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	Securitie
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.75					11/26/1997(2)	05/13/2007	Common Stock	149,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.5433					06/30/1998(2)	06/30/2008	Common Stock	22,5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.9583					06/30/1999(2)	06/30/2009	Common Stock	22,5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.2917					06/30/2000(2)	06/30/2010	Common Stock	22,5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.7					06/29/2001(2)	06/29/2011	Common Stock	22,5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.7733					07/01/2002(2)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	22,5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.5					06/30/2003(2)	06/30/2013	Common Stock	7,50
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 37.31					06/30/2004(2)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	7,50
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0					06/30/2004(3)	06/30/2013	Common Stock	1,70
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0					06/30/2005(3)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	2,5:

Reporting Owners

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	•

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NEVARES HECTOR M BOLIVIA 33 -- SUITE 303 X HATO REY, PR 00917

Signatures

Hector M. 03/07/2005

**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).
- These are restricted shares issued under the Issuer's 1997 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan in payment of fees owed for services as (1) an independent director. All such shares are subject to a three-year vesting period, with the first vesting occurring as of the date the shares were issued.
- (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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