

SENECA FOODS CORP /NY/  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**KAYSER KRAIG H**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SENECA FOODS CORP /NY/ [SENEA]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**3736 SOUTH MAIN STREET**  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**04/16/2009**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**President and CEO**

**MARION, NY 14505**  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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)
Seneca Foods Class A Common					65,628	D	
Seneca Foods Class A Common	12/18/2008		G V	1,176 D (1)	72,993	I	By Trusts (2)
Seneca Foods Class A Common					2,327	I	By 401-K Plan

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Seneca Foods Class B Common	12/18/2008	G V 588	A	<u>(1)</u>	84,739	D	
Seneca Foods Class B Common	04/16/2009	P	2,000	A	\$ 23,735	86,739	D
Seneca Foods Class B Common	12/18/2008	G V 588	D	<u>(1)</u>	75,356	I	By Trusts <u>(2)</u>
Seneca Foods Class B Common					489	I	By 401-K Plan
Seneca Foods Class A Series A Preferred					32,168	D	
Seneca Foods Class A Series A Preferred					141,644	I	By Trusts <u>(2)</u>
Seneca Foods Class A Series B Preferred					165,080	I	By Trusts <u>(2)</u>
Seneca Foods 6% Preferred					8,000	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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of Derivative Securities
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 5)	Bene- Own- Follo- Repo- Trans- (Instr.			
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KAYSER KRAIG H 3736 SOUTH MAIN STREET MARION, NY 14505	X	X	President and CEO	

## Signatures

Kraig H. Kayser                      04/17/2009

\*\*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) Bona fide gift of securities.
- (2) Held by two trusts of which the Reporting Person is the co-trustee in which he and members of his family are beneficiaries. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest in the shares.

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