

DEAN FOODS CO  
Form 8-K  
February 16, 2017  
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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 or 15(d)  
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 16, 2017 (February 16, 2017)

Dean Foods Company  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware                                      1-12755                      75-2559681  
(State or other Jurisdiction   (Commission   (IRS Employer  
of Incorporation)                      File Number)   Identification No.)  
2711 North Haskell Avenue, Suite 3400  
Dallas, Texas 75204  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (214) 303-3400

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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  - ..Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - ..Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

Attached as Exhibit 99.1 is the registrant's earnings release for the fourth quarter and full year of 2016, issued February 16, 2017. This release shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise incorporated by reference into any filing pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except as otherwise expressly stated in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Earnings Release issued February 16, 2017

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

DEAN FOODS COMPANY

Dated: February 16, 2017 By: /s/ SCOTT K. VOPNI

Scott K. Vopni

Senior Vice President, Finance and

Chief Accounting Officer

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