

TYSON FOODS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Gonzalez Pita J Alberto

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2210 W. OAKLAWN

(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)
10/02/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify
below)

Exec VP & General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)
Class A Common Stock	09/30/2006		J V	1,073 (1)	A \$ 0 54,644	D	
Class A Common Stock	09/30/2006		J V	1,444 (2)	A \$ 0 1,444	I	By ESPP

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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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Shares	(3)	10/02/2006		A	23,614	(4) (4)	Class A Common Stock 23,614

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Gonzalez Pita J Alberto 2210 W. OAKLAWN SPRINGDALE, AR 72762	Exec VP & General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Gonzalez-Pita, J
Alberto 10/04/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

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- Represents 1,073 shares of restricted stock received by the reporting person pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature under the Company's 2000 Stock Incentive Plan. Such acquisition is exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-11.
 - Represents 1,444 shares purchased from 12-15-05 thru 9-30-06 for the reporting person's account under the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 6b-3.
 - Each Performance Share that vests entitles the reporting person to 1 share of Class A Common Stock. The number expressed above is the maximum number of shares that can vest under the grant.
- The award will vest or expire two business days following the Company's public announcement of its earnings for the 2009 fiscal year
- based upon a comparison of the market price of Tyson's Class A Common Stock to a peer group of publicly traded companies and the achievement by the Company of certain goals related to return on invested capital.

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