#### TYSON FOODS INC

Form 4

October 17, 2006

### 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).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Lovette William W Issuer Symbol TYSON FOODS INC [(TSN)] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify 2210 W. OAKLAWN DR. 10/15/2006 below) Sr Group VP Pltry & Prep Fds (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting SPRINGDALE, AR 72764 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Class A Common Stock	10/15/2006		S	25,624 (1)	D	\$ 15.1	123,441	D		
Class A Common Stock							1,967	I	By ESPP	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Lovette William W 2210 W. OAKLAWN DR. SPRINGDALE, AR 72764

Sr Group VP Pltry & Prep Fds

### **Signatures**

/s/ Lovette, 10/17/2006 William W

\*\*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).

On October 15, 2006, 70,304.2703 shares of restricted Class A Common Stock vested. The award of these restricted shares to the Reporting Person has previously been reported. Pursuant to an election previously made by the Reporting Person, 25,624.2703 shares were sold by the Reporting Person to the Issuer to satisfy tax withholding obligations related to the vesting.

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