LEATHERBY DENNIS

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEATHERBY DENNIS			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TYSON FOODS INC [(TSN)]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (I	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(,			
2210 W. OAK	W. OAKLAWN		(Month/Day/Year) 12/05/2006	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP, Finance and Treasurer			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
SPRINGDALE, AR 72762			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City) (State) (Zip) 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)	Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		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	10/25/2006			V	Amount 4,500	A	\$ 0	59,910	D	
Class A Common Stock	12/05/2006		G(2)		4,500	D	\$ 0	55,410	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/25/2006		J <u>(1)</u> 1	V	4,500	D	\$ 0	17,688	I	By ESPP
Class A Common	12/06/2006		S(3)		4,500	D	\$ 16.63	13,188	I	By ESPP

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Stock

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 (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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	5. tionNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	S	ate	7. Title Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				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

LEATHERBY DENNIS 2210 W. OAKLAWN SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

Sr. VP, Finance and Treasurer

Signatures

By: R. Read Hudson, by power of attorney for 12/07/2006

**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) Transfer of stock by reporting person from Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Reporting person disposed of the indirect ownership position and acquired direct ownership position.
- (2) Shares acquired, as described in footnote 1 were given as a Gift.
- (3) Reporting person sold 4500 previously acquired shares from his Employee Stock Purchase Plan account.

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Reporting Owners 2

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