TYSON FOODS INC Form 3 May 30, 2008 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB APPROVAL

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> VAN BEBBER DAVID L			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	 ³ 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TYSON FOODS INC [(TSN)] 				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	05/21/2008	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
2210 W. OAKLAWN (Street) SPRINGDALE, AR 72762				(Check all applicable) <u></u> Director <u></u> 10% Owner <u></u> Officer <u></u> Other (give title below) (specify below) Exec.VP & General Counsel		 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One 		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Bene				Reporting Person eneficially Owned	
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	rity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Na Owne (Instr	1	
Class A Common Stock			102,200		D	Â	Â	
Class A Common Stock			4,332		Ι	By Employee Stock Purchase Plan		

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Indirect Beneficial
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	10/10/2004(1)	10/10/2012	Class A Common Stock	1,200	\$ 9.64	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	03/29/2003 <u>(2)</u>	03/29/2011	Class A Common Stock	10,000	\$ 11.5	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	09/19/2005 <u>(3)</u>	09/19/2013	Class A Common Stock	6,000	\$ 13.33	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	09/29/2006(4)	09/29/2014	Class A Common Stock	8,000	\$ 15.96	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	11/16/2007(5)	11/16/2015	Class A Common Stock	8,000	\$ 16.35	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	11/16/2009 <u>(6)</u>	11/16/2017	Class A Common Stock	8,000	\$ 15.06	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy)	11/17/2008(7)	11/17/2016	Class A Common Stock	8,000	\$ 15.37	D	Â

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
VAN BEBBER DAVID L 2210 W. OAKLAWN SPRINGDALE, AR 72762	Â	Â	Exec.VP & General Counsel	Â		
Signatures						

/s/ Van Bebber, David L. <u>**Signature of Reporting</u> Person
Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) The Stock Options vested at 40% on 10-10-04 and 20% each year thereafter for the following three years.
- (2) The Stock Options become exercisable in four equal annual installments, commencing two years after the date of grant, 03-29-01.

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- (3) This Stock Options vest at 40% on 9-19-05 and 20% each year thereafter for the following three years.
- (4) The Stock Options vest at 40% on 09-29-06 and 20% each year thereafter for the following three years.
- (5) The Stock Options vest at 40% on 11-16-07 and 20% each year thereafter for the following three years.
- (6) The Stock Options vest at 40% on 11-16-09 and 20% each year thereafter for the following three years.
- (7) The Stock Options vest at 40% on 11-17-08 and 20% each year thereafter for the following three years.

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