

Lochner James V
Form 4
March 25, 2011

FORM 4

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

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Lochner James V

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY

(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)

03/24/2011

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) below)

Chief Operating Office

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	03/17/2011		J ⁽¹⁾	V 1,861 A \$ 0	25,476	I	Employee Stock Purchase Plan
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2011		J ⁽²⁾	V 348 A \$ 0	172,373	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/24/2011		M	7,992 A \$ 10.6	180,365	D	
	03/24/2011		S	7,992 D	172,373	D	

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Class A Common Stock					\$ 19.7201		
Class A Common Stock	03/24/2011	M	15,000	A	\$ 9.32	187,373	D
Class A Common Stock	03/24/2011	S	1,900	D	\$ 19.71	185,473	D
Class A Common Stock	03/24/2011	S	8,837	D	\$ 19.72	176,636	D
Class A Common Stock	03/24/2011	S	3,000	D	\$ 19.7201	173,636	D
Class A Common Stock	03/24/2011	S	300	D	\$ 19.725	173,336	D
Class A Common Stock	03/24/2011	S	963	D	\$ 19.73	172,373	D

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. 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of S
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 10.6	03/24/2011		M	7,992	07/02/2003	07/01/2011	Class A Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Options	\$ 9.32	03/24/2011		M	15,000	10/15/2003	10/15/2011	Class A Common

(right to buy)

Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lochner James V 2200 DON TYSON PARKWAY SPRINGDALE, AR 72762			Chief Operating Office	

Signatures

James V.
Lochner

03/25/2011

__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).

Represents shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock purchased for the Reporting Person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock

(1) Purchase Plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisitions are exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

Represents shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock received by the Reporting Person on March 15, 2011 pursuant to a dividend

(2) reinvestment feature under the Issuer's stock plan since the last Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership was filed by the Reporting Person. Such acquisition is exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-11.

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