

Zapanta Albert C  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Zapanta Albert C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 TYSON FOODS INC [(TSN)]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 2210 W. OAKLAWN  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/01/2008

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

SPRINGDALE, AR 72762

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount	Price	
Class A Common Stock	02/01/2008		A <sup>(1)</sup>	V	5,551	A \$ 0	20,376 D
Class A Common Stock	02/01/2008		J <sup>(2)</sup>	V	160	A \$ 0	20,536 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				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
Zapanta Albert C 2210 W. OAKLAWN SPRINGDALE, AR 72762		X		

Signatures

By: /s/R. Read Hudson, by Power of Attorney for Date 02/05/2008

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) Represents a deferred stock award for shares of Class A Common Stock having a value of \$80,000 granted on the date of election as a director at the 2008 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (February 1, 2008), which award will not become payable until 180 days after termination of service as a director.
  - (2) Represents 160 shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock received by the reporting person pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature under the Issuer's Stock Plans through February 1, 2008. Such acquisition is exempt from Section 16 reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 16a-11.

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