

Hansson B Thomas  
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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 \*  
 Hansson B Thomas

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SARA LEE CORPORATION, 3500 LACEY ROAD

(Street)

DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Sara Lee Corp [SLE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 08/31/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or (D) Price		
Common stock	08/31/2011		A		61,822 <sup>(1)</sup> \$ 0	D	
Common stock	08/31/2011		F		37,575 <sup>(2)</sup> \$ 18.04	D	
Common stock					971	I	By 401(k) 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 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. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (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
Hansson B Thomas C/O SARA LEE CORPORATION 3500 LACEY ROAD DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515			Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

/s/ Helen N. Kaminski for B. Thomas Hansson pursuant to power of attorney previously filed.

09/02/2011

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\*\*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 common stock issued upon the vesting of fiscal 2009 to 2011 performance-based restricted stock units ("PSUs"). The PSUs were eligible for vesting and conversion into common stock only if Sara Lee achieved certain specified levels of total stockholder return ("TSR") (i.e., stock price appreciation plus reinvested dividends), relative to a group of peer companies, over the three-year performance period. Depending upon Sara Lee's relative TSR, possible payouts ranged from 0% to 200% of the original PSU grant. Based on Sara Lee's actual TSR results over the three-year cumulative period ending with fiscal 2011 relative to the peer group, 160% of the original PSU grant vested and were converted into common stock on August 31, 2011.
- (1) Represents shares of common stock withheld by Sara Lee to satisfy the reporting person's tax liability incurred upon the vesting of PSUs and RSUs.
  - (2) Includes 66,442 RSUs that may be settled only for shares of common stock. RSUs generally vest one to five years after the grant date and, upon vesting, are convertible into shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis. RSUs vest based on the reporting person's continued employment through the vesting period.
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(4) Includes 409 shares acquired as a participant in a dividend reinvestment plan.

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