

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/

Form 8-K

October 27, 2009

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) **October 26, 2009**

HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or Other
Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

1-2402

(Commission File
Number)

41-0319970

(IRS Employer
Identification
Number)

1 Hormel Place

Austin, MN 55912

(Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (507) 437-5611

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Section 7 REGULATION FD

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On October 26, 2009, the Company issued a press release announcing the closing of a 50/50 joint venture agreement to create MegaMex Foods, LLC, which will market Mexican foods in the United States. A copy of the release is furnished as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits furnished pursuant to Item 7.01

99 Press release issued October 26, 2009

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION
(Registrant)

Dated: October 26, 2009

By

/s/J. H. FERAGEN
J. H. FERAGEN
Senior Vice President
and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: October 26, 2009

By

/s/J. N. SHEEHAN
J. N. SHEEHAN
Vice President and Controller