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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANCE COMMISSION								OMB AF	PROVAL				
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(Print or Type Res	ponses)												
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *2. Issuer NSWEDBERG JOSEPH CSymbol				Name and Ticker or Trading					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			HORMEL	RMEL FOODS CORP /DE/					(Check all applicable)				
1 HORMEL PLACE(Month/Day01/17/201			3. Date of Earliest Transaction						Director 10% Owner				
			Day/Year)					_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
			01/17/201	12					Vice President				
			mendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
Filed(Month				onth/Day/Year)					Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person				
AUSTIN, MN	55912								Form filed by M Person	ore than One Rej	porting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I	- Non-	Deri	vative Se	curitio	es Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned		
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date 2A. D (Month/Day/Year) Execu		eemed 3. 4. Securities tion Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or					r	5. Amount of Securities		7. Nature of Indirect		
(Instr. 3)	(Wolding Duy) Te	any	Code Disposed of (D)						Beneficially	Form: Direct			
		(Month	n/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				5)		(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)		
								Following Reported					
							(A)		Transaction(s)	(
				Code	v	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
COMMON STOCK	01/17/2012			G		725	D	\$0	55,091.368	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 o Derivativ Security (Instr. 3)	ve Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date	7. Title Amour Underly Securit (Instr. 3	nt of ying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SWEDBERG JOSEPH C 1 HORMEL PLACE AUSTIN, MN 55912			Vice President					
Signatures								
Joe C. Swedberg, by Power of Attorney		03/07/2012						
**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).

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