DEAN FOODS CO/ Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BERNON ALAN J**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

DEAN FOODS CO/[DF]

(Check all applicable)

DEAN NORTHEAST, LLC, 124

(Street)

(First)

(Middle)

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

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

GROVE STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Chief Operating Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

01/10/2005

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

FRANKLIN, MA 02038

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

Common Stock

559,862.962 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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of S
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.375						01/22/2002	01/22/2011	Common Stock	33
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.35						01/14/2003	01/14/2012	Common Stock	4,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.35						01/14/2003	01/14/2012	Common Stock	75
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.35						01/14/2003	01/14/2012	Common Stock	50
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.7933						01/06/2004	01/06/2013	Common Stock	4,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.7933						01/06/2004	01/06/2013	Common Stock	78
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.17						01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	3,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.17						01/13/2005	01/13/2014	Common Stock	36
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.85	01/10/2005		A	28,600		01/10/2006	01/10/2015	Common Stock	28

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BERNON ALAN J DEAN NORTHEAST, LLC 124 GROVE STREET FRANKLIN, MA 02038

Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

Alan J. Bernon 01/12/2005

**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).
- (1) The shares of common stock subject to the Option shall vest ratably in three equal increments commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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