**DEAN FOODS CO** Form 4 April 03, 2007

### 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(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MUSE JOHN R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DEAN FOODS CO [DF]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last) (First) (Middle)  200 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 1600			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/30/2007					(Check all applicable)  _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)				
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(City)		(Zip)	Table	I - Non	-De	rivative S	ecuri	ties Ac	Person quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Data (Month/Day/Year)	Executio any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transac Code (Instr. 8	8)	4. Securit nAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) o of (D	)	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/30/2007			A		611 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$0	246,732	D		
Common Stock									2,550	I	by Spouse	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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# $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Nun of S
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-SI000779)	\$ 16.5024					06/30/1998(3)	06/30/2008	Common Stock	22,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-TO000726)	\$ 16.5024					06/27/2005(3)	06/30/2008	Common Stock	4,1
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-SI001314)	\$ 11.7864					06/30/1999(3)	06/30/2009	Common Stock	22,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-TO000634)	\$ 11.7864					06/27/2005(3)	06/30/2009	Common Stock	4,1
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-SI001803)	\$ 13.7567					06/30/2000(3)	06/30/2010	Common Stock	22,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-TO000639)	\$ 13.7567					06/27/2005(3)	06/30/2010	Common Stock	4,1
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-SF002505)	\$ 14.9459					06/29/2001(3)	06/29/2011	Common Stock	22,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to	\$ 14.9459					06/27/2005(3)	06/29/2011	Common Stock	4,1

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buy-TO000645)					
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF002170)	\$ 20.9186	07/01/2002(3)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	22,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-TO000654)	\$ 20.9186	06/27/2005(3)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	4,1
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF002880)	\$ 26.5986	06/30/2003(3)	06/30/2013	Common Stock	7,5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-TO000784)	\$ 26.5986	06/27/2005(3)	06/30/2013	Common Stock	1,3
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF003669)	\$ 31.5046	06/30/2004(3)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	7,5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-TO000794)	\$ 31.5046	06/27/2005(3)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	1,3
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF905923)	\$ 35.24	06/30/2005(3)	06/30/2015	Common Stock	7,5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy-DF005296)	\$ 37.19	06/30/2006(3)	06/30/2016	Common Stock	7,5
Deferred Stock Units (DU000113)	\$ 0	06/30/2005(4)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	8:
Deferred Stock Units (TU905761)	\$ 0	06/27/2005 <u>(4)</u>	06/30/2014	Common Stock	1:
Restricted Stock Units (DF905934)	\$ 0	06/30/2006(4)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	1,7
Restricted Stock Units (DU003822)	\$ 0	06/30/2007(4)	06/30/2016	Common Stock	2,5

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MUSE JOHN R 200 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 1600 X DALLAS, TX 75201

**Signatures** 

John R. Muse 04/03/2007

\*\*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).
- These are restricted shares issued under Dean's 1997 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan in payment of fees owed for services as an (1) independent director. All such shares are subject to vesting in three increments, with the first vesting occurring as of the date the shares were issued.
- (2) Mr. Muse disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares not directly owned by him.
- (3) The options were automatically granted under the Issuer's 1997 Amended and Restated Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan, and are fully vested and immediately exercisable upon grant.
- The reporting person has received an award of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") which is a right to receive shares of common stock of the (4) Issuer in the future, subject to the terms and conditions of the RSU Award Agreement. The RSUs vest annually, on a prorata basis, over a three year period beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant.

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