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(Print or Type R	esponses)										
MUELLER MARK D Symbol ST MAR				Name and Ticker or Trading RY LAND & RATION CO [SM]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify					
1776 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 09/10/20 700				-				below) below) Sr. VP & Regional Manager			
	(Street)	(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person					
DENVER, C	O 80203							Form filed by M Person	More than One Ro	eporting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year) Execution any	emed on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V	Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l 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; \$.01 Par Value	09/10/2009			М	1,533	A	<u>(1)</u>	12,799	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 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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	09/10/2009		М	1,533	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1,533	\$

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships		
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
MUELLER MARK D 1776 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 700 DENVER, CO 80203			Sr. VP & Regional Manager		
Signatures					

Karin M. Writer

(Attorney-In-Fact)

09/11/2009

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock.
- This restricted stock unit grant vests in three equal annual installments beginning on September 10, 2007. Upon the vesting of the (2) restricted stock units, common stock will be issued to the reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested
- shares will lapse.

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