MURPHY WENDELL H JR

Form 4

February 15, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MURPHY WENDELL H JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

SMITHFIELD FOODS INC [SFD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

P.O. BOX 1087

(Last)

(City)

02/11/2005

(Month/Day/Year)

Other (specify Officer (give title below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

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

Person

ROSE HILL, NC 28458

(State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

(D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

(9-02)

Indirect

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

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 Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number 4. Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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	Derivative Security				(A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Variable prepaid forward contract (put equivalent	<u>(1)</u>	02/11/2005	J <u>(1)</u>		3,249		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	3,249

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MURPHY WENDELL H JR P.O. BOX 1087 ROSE HILL, NC 28458		X					

Signatures

position)

/s/ Mark Roberts, Attorney-in-fact 02/15/2005

**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) See attachment

Remarks:

Remarks: The reporting person may be deemed to be a member of a "group" with Wendell H. Murphy, Harry D. Murphy, We Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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