POPE C LARRY Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* POPE C LARRY

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

SMITHFIELD FOODS INC [SFD]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

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

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O 200 COMMERCE STREET 08/30/2006

below) below) President and C.O.O.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SMITHFIELD, VA 23430

(City) (State) (Zip) 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)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 8)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Securities Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 32.91	08/30/2006		A		250,000		08/30/2011	08/30/2016	common stock	250,00

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
POPE C LARRY C/O 200 COMMERCE STREET SMITHFIELD, VA 23430	X		President and C.O.O.					

# **Signatures**

/s/Michael H. Cole, as Attorney-in-Fact 09/01/2006

\*\*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) Employee Stock Option (right to buy)
- (2) Employee Stock Option (right to buy)

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