

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/  
Form 8-K  
November 06, 2002

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

### CURRENT REPORT

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) **October 23, 2002**

## HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

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**1-2402**

(Commission File Number)

**41-0319970**

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

**1 Hormel Place, Austin, Minnesota**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**55912**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(507) 437-5611**

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Item 5. **OTHER EVENTS AND REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE**

Mr. Joseph Mallof resigned from the Company's Board of Directors on October 23, 2002. Mr. Mallof resigned to avoid the appearance of a conflict of interest after accepting a position as President of CIBA Vision, a unit of Novartis. Novartis competes directly with Hormel HealthLabs. Mr. Mallof served on the Board of Directors of Hormel Foods Corporation since October of 1997. The Company has not announced a replacement for this Board vacancy.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

**HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION**

(Registrant)

Dated: November 6, 2002

By

/s/M. J. McCOY  
M. J. McCOY  
Executive Vice President  
and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: November 6, 2002

By

/s/J. N. SHEEHAN  
J. N. SHEEHAN  
Vice President and Controller