

Batista Joesley Mendonca  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Batista Joesley Mendonca

(Last) (First) (Middle)

AV. BRIGADEIRO FERIA LIMA,  
 2391, 2 ANDAR CONJUNTO 22,  
 SALA 2

(Street)

SAO PAULO, D5 04152-000

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP [PPC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/12/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/12/2012		P		18,924,438	A	\$ 5.69
					194,990,667	I <sup>(1)</sup>	

By JBS  
 USA Holdings, Inc. <sup>(2)</sup>

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Batista Joesley Mendonca AV. BRIGADEIRO FERIA LIMA, 2391 2 ANDAR CONJUNTO 22, SALA 2 SAO PAULO, D5 04152-000	X	X		

## Signatures

/s/ Christopher Gaddis, by power of attorney

03/14/2012

\_\_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).

As more particularly described in the Schedule 13D filed by JBS USA Holdings, Inc. ("JBS USA") and the other reporting persons identified therein (including the Reporting Owner listed above) (the "13D Reporting Persons") with the United States Securities and

(1) Exchange Commission on March 14, 2012 (the "Schedule 13D"), the Reporting Owner listed above, together with the other 13D Reporting Persons, share beneficial ownership of the 194,990,667 shares of common stock of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation directly owned by JBS USA. The ownership of the Reporting Owner listed above is indirect.

(2) As more particularly described in the Schedule 13D, Joesley Mendonca Batista, together with the other members of the Batista Family, indirectly control JBS USA.

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