

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/  
Form 8-K  
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# 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) **September 30, 2003**

## HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**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**



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

Union workers from five of the Company's production facilities voted to ratify a new four-year labor contract on September 30, 2003.

The United Food and Commercial Workers union represented approximately 3,000 workers from the following five Hormel production facilities: Algona, Iowa; Austin, Minnesota; Beloit, Wisconsin; Fremont, Nebraska; and Tucker, Georgia. The previous labor contracts expired in early September of the current year.

**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: October 7, 2003

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

Dated: October 7, 2003

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