

AVERA STEPHEN R  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 AVERA STEPHEN R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1919 FLOWERS CIRCLE

(Street)

THOMASVILLE, GA 31757

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 FLOWERS FOODS INC [FLO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/05/2009

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)  
 EVP, Secretary & Gen Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or (D) Price		
Common Stock	02/05/2009		M		10,620 A \$ 0	123,458	D
Common Stock	02/05/2009		F		3,616 D \$ 23.71	119,842	D
Common Stock						577	I By 401(k)
Common Stock						300	I By Spouse <u>(1)</u>

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Restricted Stock Award <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0	02/05/2009		A	1,770 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/05/2009	02/05/2009 <sup>(4)</sup>	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Award <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0	02/05/2009		M	10,620	02/05/2009	02/05/2009 <sup>(4)</sup>	Common Stock
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 18.68					01/03/2009	01/03/2013	Common Stock
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 19.57					02/05/2010	02/05/2014	Common Stock
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 24.75					02/04/2011	02/04/2015	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Award <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0					02/04/2010	02/04/2010 <sup>(4)</sup>	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
AVERA STEPHEN R 1919 FLOWERS CIRCLE THOMASVILLE, GA 31757			EVP, Secretary & Gen Counsel	

## Signatures

Stephen R.  
Avera

02/09/2009

\_\_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) By Spouse as custodian for reporting person's minor child.
- (2) Granted pursuant to the Flowers Foods, Inc. 2001 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan.
- (3) The number of shares acquired represents the maximum number of additional shares, which may be awarded in accordance with the terms of the 2007 Restricted Stock Award Agreement.
- (4) Grant expires on Exercisable Date if performance measures are not met.

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