

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

February 20, 2015

Ms. Jody H. Feragen Chief Financial Officer Hormel Foods Corporation 1 Hormel Place Austin, MN 55912

Re: Hormel Foods Corporation

Form 10-K for the Year Ended October 26, 2014

Filed December 17, 2014

File No. 001-02402

Dear Ms. Feragen:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that our comments or changes to disclosure in response to our comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the company or the filings and the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States. We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filings to be certain that the filings include the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/ Melissa Raminpour

Melissa Raminpour Branch Chief