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Tyson Foods, Inc.

August 13, 2002

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Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20549

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Re: Tyson Foods, Inc. (File No. 0-3400)
SEC Order No. 4-460 Requiring the Filing of Sworn Statements

Dear Mr. Katz:

On behalf of John Tyson, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Tyson Foods, Inc., and Steven Hankins, the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Tyson Foods, Inc., enclosed are the sworn statements required by Securities and Exchange Commission Order No. 4-460.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R. Read Hudson".

R. Read Hudson
Secretary and Corporate Counsel

Enclosures

cc: John Tyson
Steven Hankins

STATEMENT UNDER OATH OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER REGARDING FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES RELATING TO EXCHANGE ACT FILINGS

I, Steven Hankins, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Tyson Foods, Inc., state and attest that:

(1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Tyson Foods, Inc., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
- no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).

(2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the audit committee of the board of directors of Tyson Foods, Inc.

(3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":

- The Annual Report on Form 10-K of Tyson Foods, Inc. for the year ended September 29, 2001;
- all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Tyson Foods, Inc. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
- any amendments to any of the foregoing.



Steven Hankins
August 13, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of August 2002.



Notary Public

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My Commission Expires: 8-1-2004

