DOLE FOOD CO INC

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

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may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Griswold Scott A.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Symbol

(Last)

(City)

Common

Stock

(First) (Middle) DOLE FOOD CO INC [DOLE]

X_ Director

10% Owner

C/O DOLE FOOD COMPANY,

INC., ONE DOLE DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Officer (give title

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Other (specify

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

10/22/2009

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91362

(State)

10/23/2009

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of 5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) or (D) Amount

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

2,000

12.5

Code V Price 2,000 P

(1)

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)		3
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.5	10/22/2009		A	52,500	(2)	10/22/2019	Common Stock	52,500	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Griswold Scott A. C/O DOLE FOOD COMPANY, INC. ONE DOLE DRIVE WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91362	X					

Signatures

/s/ C. Michael Carter, attorney-in-fact

**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) These shares were acquired pursuant to the reserved share program established in connection with Dole Food Company, Inc.'s initial public offering.
- (2) The stock option vests in three equal annual installments commencing on October 22, 2010.
- (3) Granted as compensation for services.

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