Tesoriero Joseph S. Form 4 November 23, 2011

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Tesoriero Joseph S. Symbol

(Middle)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer

DOLE FOOD CO INC [DOLE]

(Check all applicable)

C/O DOLE FOOD COMPANY,

(Street)

(First)

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

11/21/2011

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner _ Other (specify

INC., ONE DOLE DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

EVP & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

below)

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91362

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Ow								
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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/21/2011		A	16,667 (1)	A	\$ 0 (2)	85,297	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2011		A	2,000	A	\$ 8.205 (3)	87,297 <u>(4)</u>	D	
Common Stock							750	I	See Footnote (5)
Common Stock							750	I	See Footnote

Common Stock 750 I Footnote (7)

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)	Code	ΓransactionDerivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 9.04	11/21/2011		A	V	100,000		(8)	11/21/2021	Common Stock	100,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Tesoriero Joseph S.

C/O DOLE FOOD COMPANY, INC. ONE DOLE DRIVE

EVP & CFO

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91362

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey Conner,

attorney-in-fact 11/23/2011

**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 of restricted stock vest in full on 11/21/2014.
- (2) Granted as compensation for services.

(3)

Reporting Owners 2

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These 2,000 shares were purchased on 11/23/2011 at an average price of \$8.205 per share in the following transactions: 100 shares in one transaction at \$8.16 per share; 600 shares in four transactions at \$8.17 per share; 134 shares in two transactions at \$8.21 per share; 434 shares in four transactions at \$8.22 per share; and 732 shares in six transactions at \$8.23 per share.

- Of these shares: (a) 16,667 are restricted and vest in full on 11/21/2014; (b) 16,667 are restricted and vest in full on 11/29/2013; and (c) 27,778 are restricted and vest in full on 10/28/2012.
- (5) As UGMA Custodian for eldest son's custodial account.
- (6) As UGMA Custodian for middle son's custodial account.
- (7) As UGMA Custodian for youngest son's custodial account.
- (8) The stock options vest in three equal annual installments commencing on 11/21/2014.

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