

Tesoriero Joseph S.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91362

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
DOLE FOOD CO INC [DOLE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/11/2012

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 & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/11/2012		S	1,600 (1) D \$ 12 (2)	74,331 (3)	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2012		S	11,400 (1) D \$ 12.0002 (4)	62,931 (3)	D	
Common Stock					750	I	See Footnote (5)
Common Stock					750	I	See Footnote (6)

Common Stock	750	I	See Footnote (7)
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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
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Code	V	(A)	(D)
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## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

Tesoriero Joseph S.  
C/O DOLE FOOD COMPANY, INC.  
ONE DOLE DRIVE  
WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91362

EVP & CFO

## Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey Conner,  
attorney-in-fact

12/11/2012

          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) Sold in reliance on Rule 10b5-1

(2) The shares were sold in a single transaction at \$12.00 per share

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- (3) Of these shares: (a) 16,667 are restricted and vest in full on 11/21/2014; and (b) 16,667 are restricted and vest in full on 11/29/2013.
- (4) The shares were sold in two transactions: 11,200 shares at \$12.00 per share and 200 shares at \$12.01 per share
- (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.

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