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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Adda AVERA STEP	•	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FLOWERS FOODS INC [FLO]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
1919 FLOWERS CIRCLE			(Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2013	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Secretary & Gen Counsel		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
THOMASVIL	LE, GA 317	157	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired r(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/20/2013		M	13,950	A	\$ 0 (1)	225,494	D	
Common Stock	02/20/2013		F	4,695	D	\$ 27.74	220,799	D	
Common Stock							951	I (2)	By 401(k)
Common Stock							450	I	By Spouse

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. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code V	7	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Restricted Stock Award (4)	\$ 0 (1)	02/20/2013		A	2	2,325		<u>(5)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	2,3
Restricted Stock Award (4)	\$ 0 (1)	02/20/2013		M			13,950	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	13,9
Option (Right to Buy) (4)	\$ 16.5							02/04/2011	02/04/2015	Common Stock	52,:
Option (Right to Buy) (4)	\$ 15.89							02/09/2012	02/09/2016	Common Stock	58,
Option (Right to Buy) (4)	\$ 16.67							02/09/2013	02/09/2017	Common Stock	64,:
Option (Right to Buy) (4)	\$ 16.31							02/10/2014	02/10/2018	Common Stock	76,8

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
AVERA STEPHEN R 1919 FLOWERS CIRCLE THOMASVILLE, GA 31757			EVP, Secretary & Gen Counsel					

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Stephen R. 02/21/2013

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) In accordance with the terms of the 2011 Restricted Stock Award Agreement, the performance shares awarded do not have a conversion or exercise price.
- (2) Total includes exempt acquisitions of shares allocated to reporting person in Issuer's 401(k) Plan, as of 12/31/2012.
- (3) By Spouse as custodian for reporting person's minor child.
- (4) Granted pursuant to the Flowers Foods, Inc. 2001 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan.
- (5) The company anticipates that in accordance with the terms of the 2011 Restricted Stock Award Agreement the vesting date of the performance shares awarded shall be the date of the filing of the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K with the SEC in 2013.
- (6) Grant expires on the vesting date if performance measures are not met.

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