

FLOWERS FOODS INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
AVERA STEPHEN R

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1919 FLOWERS CIRCLE
(Street)

THOMASVILLE, GA 31757

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FLOWERS FOODS INC [FLO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/15/2016

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, Secretary & Gen Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 12/15/2016 | | M | | 96,862 | A | \$ 11.11 |
| | | | | | | | 499,379 |
| Common Stock | 12/15/2016 | | S | | 70,845 | D | \$ 19.4994 |
| | | | | | | | (1) |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 1,531.14 |
| | | | | | | | I |
| | | | | | | | By 401(k) (2) |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 675 |
| | | | | | | | I |
| | | | | | | | By Spouse (3) |

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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Option (Right to Buy) ⁽⁴⁾ | \$ 11.11 | 12/15/2016 | | M | 96,862 | 02/09/2013 02/09/2017 | Common Stock 96,862 |
| Option (Right to Buy) ⁽⁴⁾ | \$ 10.87 | | | | | 02/10/2014 02/10/2018 | Common Stock 115,200 |

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 | |

Signatures

Stephen R. Avera 12/19/2016

 Date
**Signature of 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) Average price of trade executions in a range from \$19.75 to \$19.32 per share.
- (2) Total includes exempt acquisitions of shares allocated to reporting person under Issuer's 401(k) Plan, based on a plan statement dated as of 12/31/2015.
- (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.

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