

FLOWERS FOODS INC
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**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 *
DEESE GEORGE E

(Last) (First) (Middle)
318 BEACHSIDE DRIVE
(Street)

PANAMA CITY, FL 32413

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/23/2015

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)
Non-Executive Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 11/23/2015 | | G | V 25,000 D \$ 23.45 | 2,472,684 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 23,408.08 | I | By 401(k) <u>(1)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | 50,301 | I | By Spouse <u>(2)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | 150,000 | I | By Family LLC <u>(3)</u> |

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. F... Der... Sec... (Ins...) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Option (Right to Buy) ⁽⁴⁾ | \$ 11.11 | | | | | 02/09/2013 | 12/31/2016 | Common Stock | 587,587 |
| Option (Right to Buy) ⁽⁴⁾ | \$ 10.87 | | | | | 02/10/2014 | 12/31/2016 | Common Stock | 739,462 |
| Deferred Stock ⁽⁵⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽⁶⁾ | | | | | 06/09/2016 | ⁽⁷⁾ | Common Stock | 6,026 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|------------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DEESE GEORGE E 318 BEACHSIDE DRIVE PANAMA CITY, FL 32413 | | X | | Non-Executive Chairman |

Signatures

/s/ Stephen R. Avera,
Agent

12/31/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1)

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Total includes exempt acquisitions of shares allocated to reporting person under Issuer's 401(k) Plan, based on a plan statement dated as of 12/31/2014.

- (2) Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
- (3) Shares held by family LLC, in which reporting person and his spouse are the only members.
- (4) Granted pursuant to the Flowers Foods, Inc. 2001 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan.
- (5) Granted under the Flowers Foods, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Equity and Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (6) In accordance with the terms of the Deferred Shares Agreement for Directors, the deferred shares awarded do not have a conversion or exercise price.
- (7) No expiration date.

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