DEESE GEORGE E

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

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

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

FLOWERS FOODS INC [FLO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(Month/Day/Ye 1919 FLOWERS CIRCLE 11/23/2012

(Month/Day/Year)

X Director _____ 10% Owner

X Officer (give title _____ Other (specify below)

Chairman of the Board & CEO

Issuer

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
__ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

THOMASVILLE, GA 31757

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - N	on-I	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	red, 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. Transa Code (Instr.		4. Securities nor Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	d of (E))	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)
Common Stock	11/23/2012		G	V	400,000	D D	\$ 22.53	1,458,007	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2012		G	V	100,000	D	\$ 22.53	1,358,007	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2012		G	V	100,000	A	\$ 22.53	100,000	I (1)	By Family LLC
Common Stock	12/05/2012		G	V	21,275	D	\$ 23.55	1,336,732	D	
Common Stock								13,538	I	By 401(k)

Common Stock 33,534 I $\frac{\text{By}}{\text{Spouse}}$

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. conNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		re e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy) (4)	\$ 16.5					02/04/2011	02/04/2015	Common Stock	352,650
Option (Right to Buy) (4)	\$ 15.89					02/09/2012	02/09/2016	Common Stock	405,450
Option (Right to Buy) (4)	\$ 16.67					02/09/2013	02/09/2017	Common Stock	391,725
Option (Right to Buy) (4)	\$ 16.31					02/10/2014	02/10/2018	Common Stock	492,975
Restricted Stock Award (4)	\$ 0 (5)					<u>(6)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	74,550

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DEESE GEORGE E	X		Chairman of the Board & CEO				
1919 FLOWERS CIRCLE							

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Signatures

/s/ Stephen R. Avera, Agent

12/26/2012

**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) Shares held by family LLC, in which reporting person and his spouse are the only members.
- (2) Total includes exempt acquisitions of shares allocated to reporting person in Issuer's 401(k) Plan, as of 12/31/2011.
- (3) Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
- (4) Granted pursuant to the Flowers Foods, Inc. 2001 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan.
- (5) In accordance with the terms of the 2011 Restricted Stock Award Agreement, the performance shares awarded do not have a conversion or exercise price.
- (6) 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.
- (7) Grant expires on the vesting date if performance measures are not met.

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