

CONAGRA FOODS INC /DE/  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MESSEL SCOTT E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CONAGRA FOODS INC /DE/ [CAG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O CONAGRA FOODS, INC., ONE CONAGRA DRIVE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/24/2012

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
SVP, Treasurer&Asst. Secretary

OMAHA, NE 68102

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	09/24/2012		M		10,000	A	\$ 19.05
Common Stock					3,333	I	(1)

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 19.05	09/24/2012		M	10,000	<u>(2)</u> 07/14/2016	Common Stock	10,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MESSEL SCOTT E C/O CONAGRA FOODS, INC. ONE CONAGRA DRIVE OMAHA, NE 68102			SVP, Treasurer & Asst. Secretary	

## Signatures

/s/ Julie Griffin,  
Attorney-in-fact

09/26/2012

\*\*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) Between March 30, 2012 and September 14, 2012, the reporting person acquired 60 shares of ConAgra Foods, Inc. common stock under the 401(k) plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement date of September 14, 2012.

(2) 60,000 options granted on 7/15/2009. 40% became exercisable on 7/15/2010, 30% became exercisable on 7/15/2011 and 30% became exercisable on 7/15/2012.

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