UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND E Washington, D.C. 20549	XCHANGE COMM	ISSION					
FORM 5 ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN	BENEFICIAL (OWNERSHIP					
[] Check box if no longer sub Form 4 or Form 5 obligation							
[] Form 3 Holdings Reported							
[] Form 4 Transactions Report	ed						
1. Name and Address of Reporting McDonald Mackey VF Corporation P.O. Box 21488 Greensboro, NC 27420 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Thershey Foods Corporation (3. IRS or Social Security Number ###-##-### 4. Statement for Month/Year Deformed for If Amendment, Date of Origing Relationship of Reporting Poirector [] 10% Owner [] below)	rading Symbol HSY) er of Report: cember 31, 19 nal (Month/Ye	ing Person (Volu 998 ear) Issuer (Check al	l applicable)				
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) [X] Form filed by One Reporting Person [] Form filed by More than One Reporting Person Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1)Title of Security		2)Trans- action Date (Month/	3.Trans- 4.Se action or D Code	Securities Acquired(A) Disposed of (D) A or nount D Price		5)Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year	6) 7)Nature of Indirect D Beneficial or Ownership I
Common Stock						400.0000	D
Table II (PART 1) Derivative Securitites Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1 through 6)							
1)Title of Derivative Security	2)Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	r Exercise action rice of Date			f Derivative Acquired (A) d of (D)	6)Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	
	Security		Code	A 	D	Exerc	isable Expiration
Common Stock Equivalents(1)		12/15/98 (2	:) J	605.5060			
Table II (PART 2) Derivative		Acquired, Dispos		eficially O	wned (Columns	1,3 and 7 thro	ugh 11)
1)Title of Derivative Security	3)Trans- 7 action of Date Se	Title and Amoun f Underlying ecurities itle		Amount or Number of Shares	8)Price of Deri- vative Security	9)Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year	10) 11)Nature of Indirect D Beneficial or Ownership
Common Stock Equivalents	12/15/98 Co	ommon Stock		605.5060	(3)	1,427.0470	D
Explanation of Responses:							
(1) These units were acquired on dunder the Director's Compensatunder the Plan; 13.434 units with deferral of 1998 director's fe	ion Plan and ere reinveste	new deferrals o	f 1998 direct	or's fees			
(2) Reinvested dividends were acqu 1998 deferred director's fees				15/98;			

(3) Units were acquired at various times throughout the year as noted in Footnote 2 These prices range from \$63.0625 to \$70.9375.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON /S/ McDonald, Mackey J. DATE 02/12/1999