## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Cooper Michael L.</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP [ PPC ]								(Ch	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1770 PROMONTORY CIRCLE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/12/2012									eer (give title w)		Other (s below)	pecify
(Street) GREELEY CO 80634  (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of 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				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					action	2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3. Transa	Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)			ed (A) or	5. Am Secur Benet	ount of ties cially d Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share 03/12.						/2012			X		528 <sup>(1)</sup> A		\$4.5	5 4	45,317		D	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date, Trans			of E		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)	rative derivati rity Securiti	ve es ially ng ed etion(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A) (		Date Exercisal		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Subscription Rights (right to buy)	\$4.5	03/12/2012			x			0(1)	01/17/20	12 0	3/12/2012	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per	528	\$0	0		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. As more particularly described in the Form 4 filed by the other reporting person with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission on March 2, 2012, the reporting person exercised in full their basic subscription rights in the rights offering entitling them to purchase shares of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation ("PPC") common stock. Pursuant to the rights offering, the reporting person also exercised their over-subscription privilege to acquire additional shares of PPC's common stock on a pro rata basis based on the number of shares each over-subscribing stockholder purchased under the basic subscription privilege to the extent any shares offered in the rights offering were not purchased by PPC's stockholders as part of the basic subscription as of the expiration of the rights offering on February 29, 2012. The reporting persons acquired 528 shares of common stock, as determined by the transfer agent on March 12, 2012, when issued by PPC at the closing.

03/13/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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