

## Report of Organizational Actions Affecting Basis of Securities

▶ See separate instructions.

**Part I Reporting Issuer**

<b>1</b> Issuer's name		<b>2</b> Issuer's employer identification number (EIN)	
The Options Clearing Corporation		36-2756407	
<b>3</b> Name of contact for additional information	<b>4</b> Telephone No. of contact	<b>5</b> Email address of contact	
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<b>6</b> Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) of contact		<b>7</b> City, town, or post office, state, and Zip code of contact	
One North Wacker Dr., Suite 500		Chicago, IL 60606	
<b>8</b> Date of action		<b>9</b> Classification and description	
February 10, 2016		Options on shares of Hormel Foods Corporation	
<b>10</b> CUSIP number	<b>11</b> Serial number(s)	<b>12</b> Ticker symbol	<b>13</b> Account number(s)
	All series	HRL	

**Part II Organizational Action** Attach additional statements if needed. See back of form for additional questions.

**14** Describe the organizational action and, if applicable, the date of the action or the date against which shareholders' ownership is measured for the action ▶ **Each outstanding options contract on shares of Hormel Foods Corporation (HRL) is replaced by two contracts to reflect a 2-for-1 share split. Effective date is February 10, 2016.**

**15** Describe the quantitative effect of the organizational action on the basis of the security in the hands of a U.S. taxpayer as an adjustment per share or as a percentage of old basis ▶ **50% of the basis in each existing contract is allocated to each of the two replacement contracts.**

**16** Describe the calculation of the change in basis and the data that supports the calculation, such as the market values of securities and the valuation dates ▶ **Tax basis in existing contracts is allocated proportionately across the replacement contracts.**

**Part II Organizational Action** (continued)

17 List the applicable Internal Revenue Code section(s) and subsection(s) upon which the tax treatment is based ▶ Section 1012 (a)

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18 Can any resulting loss be recognized? ▶ No.

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19 Provide any other information necessary to implement the adjustment, such as the reportable tax year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

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Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

**Sign Here**

Signature ▶ *Karen Bilek* Date ▶ 2/24/16

Print your name ▶ Karen Bilek Title ▶ Vice President

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	Firm's name ▶				Firm's EIN ▶
	Firm's address ▶				Phone no.