### LIFEWAY FOODS INC

Form 4

December 17, 2015

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* SMOLYANSKY LUDMILA

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

LIFEWAY FOODS INC [LWAY]

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

X\_ Director X 10% Owner

C/O LIFEWAY FOODS, INC., 6431 W. OAKTON ST

(First)

12/15/2015

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Other (specify Officer (give title

(Check all applicable)

(Street)

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

below)

MORTON GROVE, IL 60053

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities on Dispose (Instr. 3, 4)	d of (Ľ	<b>)</b> )	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, no par value	10/08/2015		G V	500,000	D	\$ 0	6,810,699	I	See Footnote (1)
Common stock, no par value	12/15/2015		D	30,000	D	\$ 11.64	6,780,699	I	See Footnotes (1) (2)

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)

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						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable Date	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SMOLYANSKY LUDMILA C/O LIFEWAY FOODS, INC. 6431 W. OAKTON ST MORTON GROVE, IL 60053	X	X				

# **Signatures**

/s/ Ludmila
Smolyansky 12/16/2015

\*\*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) The shares are held by the Ludmila Smolyansky Trust 2/1/05, of which Ludmila Smolyansky is the trustee.
- (2) The Reporting Person sold such shares to the Issuer in a privately negotiated transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(e).

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