Cooper Michael L. Form 4 March 02, 2012

## FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF Section 16. Form 4 or

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

**SECURITIES** 

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Cooper Michael L.

(Middle)

PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP [PPC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/29/2012

Symbol

1770 PROMONTORY CIRCLE

(First)

(Street)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

GREELEY, CO 80634

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

02/29/2012

7,689 X (1)(2)

D

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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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share
Subscription Rights (right to buy)	\$ 4.5	02/29/2012		X	37,100	01/17/2012	02/29/2012	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	7,68

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Cooper Michael L.						
1770 PROMONTORY CIRCLE	X					

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# **Signatures**

/s/ Michael L.

Cooper 03/02/2012

\*\*Signature of Person

\*\*Bignature of Person

### **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).
- The reporting person exercised in full their basic subscription rights (each subscription right entitling them to purchase 0.2072 shares of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation ("PPC") common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, at a subscription price equal to \$4.50 per share), issued pro rata to holders of PPC common stock on the January 17, 2012 record date for the rights offering, under the basic subscription privilege in the rights offering.(Continued to footnote 2)

The reporting person will acquire these shares of common stock when issued by PPC at the closing of the rights offering. Pursuant to the over-subscription privilege in the rights offering, the reporting person may acquire additional shares or PPC's common stock in the rights offering 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 are not purchased by PPC's stockholders as part of the basic subscription as of the expiration of the rights offering. Any such additional shares (once determined) will be reported by the reporting person on a subsequent Form 4.

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