PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP Form 8-K September 10, 2012

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

Form 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): September 6, 2012

#### PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) Delaware 1-9273 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission file number) 1770 Promontory Circle 80634-9038 Greeley, CO (Zip Code) (Address of principal executive offices) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (970) 506-8000 Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

75-1285071 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

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# SECTION 5 - CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Item 5.02(e) Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

(e) On September 6, 2012, the Board of Directors of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation ("PPC" or "Company") approved the Pilgrim's Pride Corporation 2012 Long Term Incentive Program (the "2012 Program"), which is a component of the Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Long Term Incentive Plan. The purpose of the 2012 Program is to provide additional incentives to participants to grow PPC's business and improve PPC's profitability. Under the 2012 Program, participants receive target awards equal to a specified percentage of their base salary. The actual award value is then determined at the end of 2012 based upon PPC's profitability relative to a specified peer group of companies for 2012. The earned value will be awarded in January 2013 to participants as a grant of restricted stock units ("RSUs"). The number of RSUs granted will be determined by dividing the earned award value by the average stock price for a share of PPC common stock over the 60-day period ending on July 1, 2012. RSUs granted to each participant will generally vest on December 31, 2014, subject to a participant's continued employment with PPC through that date and other terms and conditions. Each vested RSU will entitle the participant to receive one share of PPC common stock on January 15, 2015, although, in certain circumstances, vested RSUs may be settled in cash.

Fabio Sandri, PPC's Chief Financial Officer, is the only named executive officer of the Company who participates in the 2012 Program.

**SECTION 9 - EXHIBITS** 

Item 9.01. Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

10.1 Pilgrim's Pride Corporation 2012 Long Term Incentive Program

10.2 Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: September 10, 2012

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION By: /s/ Fabio Sandri Fabio Sandri Chief Financial Officer

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