

PEPSICO INC
Form 8-K
March 15, 2010

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):

March 12, 2010

PepsiCo, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-1183

(Commission
File Number)

13-1584302

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

700 Anderson Hill Road, Purchase, New York

(Address of principal executive offices)

10577

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

914-253-2000

N/A

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 12, 2010, the Board of Directors of PepsiCo, Inc. ("PepsiCo") approved a 7 percent increase in the annual dividend on PepsiCo common stock from the current annual rate of \$1.80 to \$1.92 per share. The increase will take effect when the Board declares the next quarterly common stock dividend, which is currently expected to be paid on June 30, 2010 to shareholders of record on June 4, 2010.

The information in this Item 7.01 is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Item 7.01 shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, except as otherwise expressly stated in such filing.

Cautionary Statement

Statements in this Item 7.01 that are "forward-looking statements" are based on currently available information, operating plans and projections about future events and trends. They inherently involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those predicted in such forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to: changes in demand for PepsiCo's products, as a result of changes in consumer preferences and tastes or otherwise; damage to PepsiCo's reputation; trade consolidation, the loss of any key customer, or failure to maintain good relationships with PepsiCo's bottling partners; PepsiCo's ability to hire or retain key employees or a highly skilled and diverse workforce; unstable political conditions, civil unrest or other developments and risks in the countries where PepsiCo operates; changes in the legal and regulatory environment; PepsiCo's ability to build and sustain proper information technology infrastructure, successfully implement its ongoing business process transformation initiative or outsource certain functions effectively; unfavorable economic conditions and increased volatility in foreign exchange rates; PepsiCo's ability to compete effectively; increased costs, disruption of supply or shortages of raw materials and other supplies; disruption of PepsiCo's supply chain; climate change or changes in legal, regulatory or market measures to address climate change; PepsiCo's ability to realize the full extent of the benefits and cost savings expected from the mergers with The Pepsi Bottling Group, Inc. (PBG) and PepsiAmericas, Inc. (PAS); PepsiCo's ability to realize the anticipated cost savings and other benefits expected from the mergers with PBG and PAS; failure to renew collective bargaining agreements or strikes or work stoppages; and any downgrade of PepsiCo's credit rating resulting in an increase of its future borrowing costs.

For additional information on these and other factors that could cause PepsiCo's actual results to materially differ from those set forth herein, please see PepsiCo's filings with the SEC, including its most recent annual report on Form 10-K and subsequent reports on Forms 10-Q and 8-K. Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date they are made. PepsiCo undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

Also on March 12, 2010, PepsiCo's Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$15 billion of PepsiCo common stock through June 2013. This is in addition to PepsiCo's existing \$8.0 billion repurchase program authorized by the Board of Directors and publicly announced on May 2, 2007 and expiring on June 30, 2010.

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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.

PepsiCo, Inc.

March 15, 2010

By: */s/ Thomas H. Tamoney, Jr.*

*Name: Thomas H. Tamoney, Jr.
Title: Senior Vice President, Deputy General Counsel and
Assistant Secretary*