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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

McCormick & Company Incorporated

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of 52-0408290 (I.R.S. employer

identification no.)

incorporation or organization)

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of registrant s principal executive offices)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after this registration statement becomes effective.

If the only securities being registered on this form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. "

If any of the securities being registered on this form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. x

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. "

If this form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box. x

If this form is a post-effective amendment to a registration statement filed pursuant to General Instruction I.D. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box. "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check one):

Large accelerated filer	X	Accelerated filer	
Non-accelerated filer	" (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company	

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of	Amount	Proposed	Proposed	Amount of
securities to be registered	to be	maximum	maximum	registration fee
	registered	offering price	aggregate	(2)(3)
	(1)	per share	offering price	

		(2)	(2)	
Common Stock, no par value	180,028	(3)	(3)	(3)
Common Stock Non-Voting, no par value	677,728(3)	\$72.57	\$21,771,000	\$2,529.79(3)
Total				\$2,529.79

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement registers such indeterminate number of additional shares of Common Stock and Common Stock Non-Voting as may be issued in connection with share splits, share dividends or similar transactions.
- (2) Estimated pursuant to Rule 457(h) based on the average of the high and low prices for the Common Stock and Common Stock Non-Voting, respectively, as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on November 17, 2014.
- (3) Pursuant to Rule 415(a)(6) under the Securities Act, 180,028 shares of McCormick & Company, Incorporated Common Stock and 377,728 shares of McCormick & Company, Incorporated Common Stock Non-Voting registered hereunder are unsold securities previously registered on Registration Statement No. 333-178152 filed on November 23, 2011 (the Prior Registration Statement). Pursuant to Rule 415(a)(6) under the Securities Act, the filing fee previously paid in connection with such unsold securities will continue to be applied to such unsold securities. The amount of the registration fee in the Calculation of Registration Fee table relates to the additional 300,000 shares of McCormick & Company, Incorporated s Common Stock Non-Voting being registered hereunder. As a result, a filing fee of \$2,529.79 is being paid herewith. Pursuant to Rule 415(a)(6) under the Securities Act, the offering of unsold securities under the Prior Registration Statement will be deemed terminated as of the date of effectiveness of this Registration Statement.

PROSPECTUS

McCORMICK & COMPANY, INCORPORATED

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COMMON STOCK 180,028 SHARES

COMMON STOCK NON-VOTING 677,728 SHARES

INVESTOR SERVICES PLAN, AS AMENDED

McCormick & Company, Incorporated (the Company) hereby offers participation in its Investor Services Plan, as amended (the Plan). This prospectus replaces the previous Plan prospectus dated November 23, 2011. The Plan retains the benefits of the existing Investor Services Plan. Shareowners of record who are currently participating in the Company s existing Investor Services Plan will automatically become participants in the Plan without any further action on their part.

As of the date of this prospectus, there are 180,028 shares of Common Stock and 677,728 shares of Common Stock Non-Voting available for issuance under the Plan. Shares of the Company s Common Stock are traded on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) under the trading symbol MKCV. Shares of the Company s Common Stock Non-Voting are traded on the NYSE under the trading symbol MKC. The CUSIP number of the Company s Common Stock is 579780 10 7. The CUSIP number of the Company s Common Stock Non-Voting is 579780 20 6. The Plan is not subject to any provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

If you do not currently own shares of McCormick stock, you may purchase shares of Common Stock Non-Voting by investing a minimum of \$500, subject to Plan limitations. Once you become a participant in the Plan, you may purchase additional shares of the same class or classes of the Company s common stock as may be owned by you by reinvesting your dividends or making cash payments.

If you are a current holder of Common Stock Non-Voting or Common Stock, you may participate in the Plan by completing an *Account Authorization Form*. If you are a beneficial owner of shares held by a broker or other custodial institution for your account, you are not eligible to participate in the Plan until you become a shareowner of record by either withdrawing the shares from your brokerage account and registering the shares in your own name or by enrolling in the Plan the same way as a new shareowner.

The shares issued under the Plan may be new issue shares or open market purchases. The price of new issue shares is the average of the high and low price carried out to four decimal places, of the Common Stock Non-Voting, as reported by the NYSE on the applicable investment date or, if the NYSE is closed on the investment date, on the next business day the NYSE is open. The price of shares of Common Stock Non-Voting and Common Stock purchased on the open market or in negotiated transactions is the weighted average price of the shares of Common Stock Non-Voting actually purchased for the applicable investment date.

Some changes have been made to the existing Investor Services Plan and, accordingly, all current and prospective participants are encouraged to read this prospectus in its entirety.

Shares of Common Stock Non-Voting offered under the Plan to persons who are not currently shareowners of McCormick & Company, Incorporated are offered through a registered broker/dealer.

PLEASE READ THIS PROSPECTUS CAREFULLY BEFORE INVESTING AND RETAIN IT FOR YOUR FUTURE REFERENCE.

NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED THESE SECURITIES OR PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THE PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

THE DATE OF THIS PROSPECTUS IS NOVEMBER 18, 2014

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PURPOSE

The Plan provides individuals who enroll (Participants) with a convenient and affordable method of systematically increasing their ownership interest in the Company through purchases of Common Stock Non-Voting (Non-Voting Stock) or Common Stock (Voting Stock) depending on the class of stock you own (the term Stock shall refer to both classes of the Company s stock). You may also reinvest your cash dividends in additional shares of the class of Stock you own.

SUMMARY OF FEATURES

OPEN TO NEW SHAREOWNERS If you do not currently own shares of Stock, you may become a Participant in the Plan through a purchase of Non-Voting Stock by paying an enrollment fee and making an initial investment of at least \$500.

OPTIONAL CASH INVESTMENTS You may make optional cash investments in the class of Stock you own, with a minimum of \$50 per investment up to the limits set forth on the Plan forms (\$50,000 per calendar year for Non-Voting Stock; \$12,000 per calendar year for Voting Stock). Optional cash investments may be made by automatic withdrawal, monthly, semi-monthly or less frequent intervals by check, as you desire. You are under no obligation to make additional cash investments.

AUTOMATIC REINVESTMENT OF DIVIDENDS Cash dividends paid on all or a specified percentage of shares of Stock may be automatically reinvested in additional shares of the class of Stock you own.

FULL INVESTMENT OF PLAN FUNDS Funds invested in the Plan are fully invested through the purchase of fractional shares, as well as full shares. Cash dividends on fractional shares may be reinvested in additional shares of the class of Stock you own.

AUTOMATED TRANSACTIONS You may establish automated privileges for your Plan account, enabling you to execute certain Plan orders online or by phone.

SHARE SAFEKEEPING You may deposit for safekeeping certificates representing shares of Stock, whether or not the shares were issued under the Plan, at no cost to you.

ACCOUNT STATEMENTS Account statements detailing your Plan activities are mailed to you following each Plan transaction.

CONSIDERATIONS

You should consider the following prior to participating in the Plan:

BROKERAGE COMMISSION Participants pay a brokerage commission for each share of Stock purchased for their Plan account in open market transactions. The Company expects that generally all Plan purchases will be effected in open market transactions. Participants pay a brokerage commission for each share sold through the Plan.

SERVICE FEES You will pay a service fee for each sale of Plan shares.

INVESTMENT TIMING/PRICE RISKS Shares are purchased and sold for the Plan on specified dates or during specified periods. As a result, you do not have any control over the price at which shares are purchased or sold for

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your account, and you may pay a higher purchase price or receive a lower sales price than if you had purchased or sold the shares, as the case may be, outside of the Plan. You bear the risk of fluctuations in the price of Stock.

NO INTEREST PAID PENDING INVESTMENT No interest is paid on optional cash investments pending investment in Stock.

RISK FACTORS

Investing in our Stock involves risks. Please see the risk factors described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2013 and in other documents that we file with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Before making an investment decision, you should carefully consider these risks as well as other information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

ADMINISTRATION

As of the date of this prospectus, administration of the Plan is handled by Wells Fargo Shareowner Services, a division of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the Plan Administrator). The Plan Administrator is responsible for receiving initial and optional cash investments from Participants, forwarding funds received from or on behalf of Participants to a registered broker/dealer for purchases of Stock, issuing statements to Participants of their Plan account activities and performing certain other administrative duties related to the Plan. Participants may contact the Plan Administrator as follows:

Contact Information

Internet

shareowneronline.com

Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for access to account information and answers to many common questions and general inquiries.

To enroll in the Plan:

If you are an existing registered shareowner:

- 1. Go to **shareowneronline.com**
- 2. Select Sign Up Now!
- 3. Enter your Authentication ID* and Account Number

* If you do not have your Authentication ID, select **I do not have my Authentication ID**. For security, this number is required for first time sign on. *If you are a new investor:*

- 1. Go to **shareowneronline.com**
- 2. Under Invest in a Plan, select Direct Purchase Plan
- 3. Select McCormick & Company, Inc.

4. Under New Investors, select Invest Now

5. Follow instructions on the **Buy Shares**

Email

Go to shareowneronline.com and select Contact Us.

Telephone

1-877-778-6784 Toll-Free

651-450-4064 outside the United States

Shareowner Relations Specialists are available Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Central Time.

You may also access your account information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week using our automated voice response system.

Written correspondence and deposit of certificated shares*:

Wells Fargo Shareowner Services

P.O. Box 64856

St. Paul, MN 55164-0856

Certified and overnight delivery

Wells Fargo Shareowner Services

1110 Centre Pointe Curve, Suite 101

Mendota Heights, MN 55120-4100

* If sending in a certificate for deposit, see Certificate Deposit and Withdrawal information.

The Plan Administrator is responsible for purchasing and selling shares of Stock for Participants Plan accounts, including the selection of the broker or dealer through which Plan purchases and sales are made. The Company has no control over the times or prices at which the Plan Administrator effects transactions on the open market or the selection of the broker or dealer used by the Plan Administrator.

PLAN FORMS

ACCOUNT AUTHORIZATION FORM An Account Authorization Form is used to enroll in the Plan and, at the time of enrollment, authorizes automatic withdrawals. The Account Authorization Form may also be used to change, establish automatic withdrawals after enrollment and make or change dividend reinvestment elections. An Account Authorization Form is enclosed with this prospectus.

TRANSACTION REQUEST FORM A *Transaction Request Form* is used to make optional cash investments, sell Plan shares, deposit share certificates and terminate participation in the Plan. A *Transaction Request Form* is attached to each account statement mailed to Participants.

You may obtain additional Plan forms online at shareowneronline.com or by contacting the Plan Administrator.

ELIGIBILITY

Any person or entity, whether or not currently a registered owner of Stock, may participate in the Plan by enrolling in accordance with the procedures described in the Enrollment and Participation section below. The Company reserves the right to deny, modify, suspend or terminate participation by any person or entity.

Note: Regulations in certain countries may limit or prohibit participation in this type of Plan. Accordingly, persons residing outside the United States who wish to participate in the Plan should first determine whether they are subject to any governmental regulation prohibiting their participation.

ENROLLMENT AND PARTICIPATION

You may enroll in the Plan at any time online at **shareowneronline.com** or by completing an *Account Authorization Form* and returning it to the Plan Administrator at the address on the form.

CURRENT SHAREOWNERS If your shares are currently registered in your name with the Company, not held by your broker or bank in their name, you can enroll through **shareowneronline.com** or by submitting an *Account Authorization Form* by mail (see **Contact Information**).

NEW SHAREOWNERS If you do not already own the Company shares registered in your name, you can enroll in the Plan by submitting a completed *Account Authorization Form* along with a payment for your initial investment. You may enroll through **shareowneronline.com** and authorize an automatic withdrawal from your bank account or through the mail by sending the *Account Authorization Form* along with a check (see **Contact Information**).

DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT

As described below, by participating in the Plan, you may elect to have all or a percentage of the cash dividends paid on your shares of Stock automatically reinvested in the class of Stock you own on the dividend payment date. THE PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS ON STOCK IS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF McCORMICK & COMPANY, INCORPORATED.

REINVESTMENT OPTIONS

FULL DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT All cash dividends payable on shares held in the Plan, along with any shares held in physical certificate form or through book-entry Direct Registration Shares (DRS), will be used to purchase

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additional shares. The participant will not receive cash dividends from the Company; instead, all dividends will be reinvested. Whole and fractional shares will be allocated to the Plan account. (*RD*)

PARTIAL DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT A participant may elect to reinvest a portion of the dividend and receive the remainder in cash. The percentage elected will be applied to the total shares held in the Plan, along with any shares held in physical certificate form or held through book-entry DRS. A participant may elect percentages from 10%-90%, in increments of 10%. The cash portion of dividends will be sent by check unless the participant has elected to have those dividends deposited directly to a designated bank account. (*RX-N*)

An example of partial reinvestment by percentage: A participant has a total of 150 shares; 120 shares are held in the Plan, 15 in physical certificate form and 15 shares in book entry DRS. The participant chooses to have 50% of the total dividend reinvested. This will equate to 75 shares having dividends reinvested and 75 shares having dividends paid in cash.

NO DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT All dividends payable to the participant will be paid in cash. This includes the dividend payable on all shares held in the Plan, any shares held in physical certificate form or held through book entry DRS. The participant s dividend payment will be sent by check unless the participant has elected to have those dividends deposited directly to a designated bank account. (*RPO*)

You may change your reinvestment option at any time by going online (see Internet Privileges), calling (see Telephone Transactions) or sending written notice to the Plan Administrator. You may also send in optional cash investments with any of the above options.

DIRECT DEPOSIT OF DIVIDENDS For electronic direct deposit of any dividend funds, contact the Plan Administrator to request a *Direct Deposit of Dividends Authorization Form*. The participant should include a voided check or deposit slip from the bank account for which to set up direct deposit. If your Stock is jointly owned, all owners must sign the form.

DIVIDEND PAYMENT DATES If the Plan Administrator receives your *Account Authorization Form* on or before the record date for a particular dividend, dividend reinvestment will begin with respect to dividends paid on the next dividend payment date. If the Plan Administrator receives your *Account Authorization Form* after the record date, dividend reinvestment will not begin until the dividend payment date following the next record date.

CASH INVESTMENTS

INITIAL CASH INVESTMENT If you are not a registered owner of Stock, you must include an initial cash investment of at least \$500 with your completed *Account Authorization Form* to become a Participant. You must also pay a one-time enrollment fee (see Investment Summary and Fees above). Initial cash investments and payment of the enrollment fee must be made by check payable to Wells Fargo Shareowner Services in U.S. funds drawn on a U.S. or Canadian financial institution.

OPTIONAL CASH INVESTMENTS Participants may make optional cash investments at any time for the class of Stock then owned by personal check or automatic withdrawal in U.S. dollars from a designated U.S. or Canadian financial institution. Participants may vary their optional cash investment from a minimum of \$50 per investment for Non-Voting Stock or Voting Stock up to the maximums specified on the Plan forms (\$50,000 per calendar year for Non-Voting Stock; \$12,000 per calendar year for Voting Stock). Initial cash investments are included in the month in which they are made for purposes of determining whether the maximum has been reached.

CHECK Optional cash investments made by check must be accompanied by a completed *Account Authorization Form* or *Transaction Request Form* and received by the Plan Administrator no later than two business days prior to an investment date for an initial cash investment and one business day prior to an investment date for optional cash investments, to be invested on that investment date; otherwise, optional cash investments are held by the Plan Administrator for investment on the next investment date. Optional cash investments made by check should be payable to Wells Fargo Shareowner Services in U.S. funds drawn on a U.S. or Canadian financial institution.

AUTOMATIC CASH WITHDRAWAL A participant may setup a one-time, semi-monthly or monthly automatic withdrawal from a designated bank account. The request may be submitted online, by telephone or by sending an

Account Authorization Form by mail (see **Contact Information**). Requests are processed and become effective as promptly as administratively possible. Once the automatic withdrawal is initiated, funds will be debited from the participant s designated bank account on or about the 9th and/or the 25th of each month and will be invested in the Company Stock within five (5) trading days. Changes or a discontinuation of automatic withdrawals can be made online, by telephone or by using the *Transaction Request Form* attached to the participant s statement. To be effective with respect to a particular investment date, a change request must be received by the Plan Administrator at least 15 trading days prior to the investment date.

REFUNDS OF INITIAL CASH INVESTMENTS AND OPTIONAL CASH INVESTMENTS Upon written request, the Plan Administrator will refund your initial cash investment or any optional cash investment, provided your request is received by the Plan Administrator at least two business days prior to the next investment date which follows the receipt of the initial cash investment and/or optional cash investments.

RETURNED FUNDS If any optional cash contributions, including payments by check or automatic withdrawal, are returned for any reason, the Plan Administrator will remove from the Participant s account any shares purchased upon prior credit of such funds, and will sell these shares. The Plan Administrator may sell other shares in the account to recover a returned funds fee for each optional cash contribution returned unpaid for any reason and may sell additional shares as necessary to cover any market loss incurred by the Plan Administrator.

INVESTMENT PENDING PURCHASE; PLAN ADMINISTRATOR COMPENSATION During the period that an optional cash investment is pending, the collected funds in the possession of the Plan Administrator may be invested in certain Permitted Investments. For purposes of this Plan, Permitted Investments shall mean any money market mutual funds registered under the Investment Company Act (including those of an affiliate of the Plan Administrator or for which the Plan Administrator or any of its affiliates provides management advisory or other services) consisting entirely of (i) direct obligations of the United States of America; or (ii) obligations fully guaranteed by the United States of America. The risk of any loss from such Permitted Investments shall be the responsibility of the Plan Administrator. Investment income from such Permitted Investments shall be retained by the Plan Administrator.

NO INTEREST IS PAID ON FUNDS HELD BY THE PLAN ADMINISTRATOR PENDING THEIR INVESTMENT IN STOCK AND THEY DO NOT EARN DIVIDENDS PRIOR TO THEIR INVESTMENT. ALL OPTIONAL CASH INVESTMENTS, INCLUDING THE INITIAL CASH INVESTMENT, ARE SUBJECT TO COLLECTION BY THE PLAN ADMINISTRATOR OF FULL FACE VALUE IN U.S. FUNDS.

PURCHASE OF SHARES

SOURCE OF SHARES Stock purchased by Participants under the Plan are either new issue shares or shares purchased on the open market. All shares of Stock in the Plan are registered under the Securities Act of 1933. In open market transactions, the Plan Administrator purchases shares as soon as administratively possible (but in no event more than five business days) after the applicable investment date, subject to any waiting periods required under applicable securities laws or stock exchange regulations. The Company determines the source or sources of shares used to fulfill Plan requirements and, subject to certain regulatory restrictions of the frequency with which it can change its determination, may change such determination from time to time without notice to Plan Participants.

PRICE OF SHARES The price per share of newly issued shares of Stock purchased from the Company is the average of the high and low price, carried out to four decimal places, of the Non-Voting Stock (as reported by the NYSE) on the applicable investment date or, if the NYSE is closed on the investment date, on the next business day the NYSE is open. The price of shares of Stock purchased on the open market or in negotiated transactions is the weighted average price of Non-Voting Stock at which the shares are actually purchased on the applicable investment date. All purchases will be made within five business days of an investment date. The Plan Administrator may in its discretion commingle Participants funds for the purpose of effecting purchase orders and may offset purchase and sale orders to arrive at a net purchase or sale order. Because the prices at which shares are purchased under the Plan are determined as of specified dates or as of dates otherwise beyond the control of Participants, Participants may lose any advantage otherwise available from being able to select the timing of their investment.

INVESTMENT DATES

DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT Cash dividends are expected to be reinvested on the applicable dividend payment date or, if the dividend payment date is not a business day, the next business day following the dividend payment date.

OPTIONAL CASH INVESTMENTS Optional cash investments are expected to be made generally within five (5) trading days from receipt of your investment amount, or in any week in which a cash dividend is paid, the dividend payment date or, if the dividend payment date is not a business day, the next business day following the dividend payment date.

BROKERAGE COMMISSIONS, SERVICE FEES AND OTHER COSTS

ACCOUNT SET-UP If you are not a registered owner of Stock, you will be charged a one-time enrollment fee. The fee must be paid by check and is due at the time of enrollment. The fee is in addition to the minimum initial cash investment and applies even if you authorize automatic withdrawal investments.

BROKERAGE COMMISSION You will pay a brokerage commission for each share of Stock purchased and for each share sold from your Plan account in open market transactions, even if a purchase or sale order is used to off- set another Plan order. Brokerage commissions payable with respect to Plan purchases will be deducted from the amount invested on your behalf. Brokerage commissions payable with respect to Plan sales will be deducted from the proceeds payable to you.

SERVICE FEES You will pay a service fee in connection with each sale of Plan shares. The service fee is in addition to brokerage commissions and is deducted from the proceeds payable to you.

COMMISSIONS AND FEES SUBJECT TO CHANGE The Company may change from time to time the amount of commissions and fees charged to Participants.

INVESTMENT SUMMARY AND FEES

Summary

Minimum cash investments		
Minimum one-time initial purchase for new investors*	\$	500.00
* Or 10 minimum recurring automatic investments	\$	50.00
Minimum one-time optional cash purchase	\$	50.00
Minimum recurring automatic investments	\$	50.00
Maximum cash investments		
Maximum annual investment Non-Voting	\$	50,000.00
Maximum annual investments Voting	\$	12,000.00
Dividend reinvestment options		
Reinvest options	Full, Partial, None	

Fees

Investment fees		
Initial enrollment (new investors only)	\$	15.00
Dividend reinvestment	Com	npany Paid
Check investment	Company Paid	
One-time automatic investment	Company Paid	
Recurring automatic investment	Company Paid	
Dividend purchase trading commission per share	\$	0.06
Optional cash purchase trading commission per share	\$	0.06
Sales fees		
Batch Order	\$	15.00
Market Order	\$	25.00
Limit Order per transaction (Day/GTD/GTC)	\$	30.00
Stop Order	\$	30.00
Sale trading commission per share	\$	0.12
Direct deposit of sale proceeds	\$	5.00
Other fees		
Certificate issuance	Company Paid	
Certificate deposit	Company Paid	
Returned check / Rejected automatic bank withdrawals	\$ 35.00 per item	
ior year duplicate statements \$ 20.00 p		0 per year

ACCOUNT STATEMENTS

The Plan Administrator maintains an account for each Participant and sends account statements to each Participant as soon as administratively possible after each quarterly dividend reinvestment and each weekly optional cash investment and after any transfer, sale or withdrawal of Plan shares. The account statements provide Participants with a record of their purchases and sales and should be retained for tax purposes. If you elect the No Dividend Reinvestment option, you will receive a statement only when there is a change in the number of shares held for you by the Plan.

SHARE CERTIFICATES

Plan purchases are credited to each Participant s account and shown on the Participant s account statement. Participants do not receive certificates for their Plan shares unless requested. This protects against loss, theft or destruction of stock certificates and reduces the Company s administrative costs associated with the Plan. Participants may obtain certificates for some or all full Plan shares at any time by submitting a *Transaction Request Form* to the Plan Administrator or contacting the Plan Administrator by phone. Any remaining full and fractional shares continue to be credited to Participants accounts. Certificates for fractional shares are not issued under any condition.

TELEPHONE TRANSACTIONS

You may establish automated privileges for your Plan account, enabling you to execute the following Plan orders by telephone:

Sell a portion or all of your Plan shares, if the current market value of the shares to be sold is \$50,000 or less.

Request a portion or all of your full Plan shares.

Change the amount of your Automatic Withdrawal.

Change your reinvestment option. (Example: Change from full reinvestment to partial reinvestment). To establish automated privileges for your Plan account, please contact the Plan Administrator.

INTERNET PRIVILEGES

You may access your account information and perform transactions online at **shareowneronline.com**. Accounts that are registered in the name of an Investment Club, Corporation, or Partnership will not be allowed online access. Please note: additional access restrictions may apply.

Instructions on creating an account or accessing your account online are as follows:

For non-shareholders of record (new investors): Go to **shareowneronline.com** and click on Direct Purchase Plan, under the column titled Invest in a Plan. Next, simply click on Invest Now under the column New Investors for McCormick & Company, Inc. Then follow instructions on the Buy Shares page.

For current shareholders of record: Go to **shareowneronline.com** and click on Sign Up Now! under I am a Current Shareowner. You will need your 10-digit account number, your 12-digit Authentication ID and a valid email address. Your account number can be found on your dividend check, dividend deposit notice or account statement. If you do not have your Authentication ID, you may request one online or by phone. Your Authentication ID will be sent to your mailing address on file.

After you have successfully signed up, you will be able to access your account immediately. You will also receive written confirmation to your mailing address on file that your account has been activated for online access.

Once you have activated your account online, you can also:

Authorize, change or stop your Automatic Withdrawal

Change your dividend reinvestment option (for example, from full to partial reinvestment) Sell some or all of your Plan shares if the current market value of the shares to be sold is \$50,000 or less. Certain restrictions may apply.

SHARE SAFEKEEPING

At any time beginning with enrollment in the Plan, Participants may deposit with the Plan Administrator certificates representing shares of Stock, whether or not the shares were acquired under the Plan, at no cost to the Participants. To use this service, Participants must send their certificates to the Plan Administrator with a properly completed *Account Authorization Form* or *Transaction Request Form*. Shares represented by certificates deposited with the Plan Administrator are credited to Participants accounts and thereafter are treated as if acquired under the Plan. Participants are responsible for maintaining their own records of the cost basis of certificate shares deposited with the Plan Administrator.

The Company strongly recommends that Participants use registered mail to mail their certificates to the Plan Administrator, insuring the certificates for 2% of the current market value of the shares represented thereby. In any case, Participants bear the full risk of loss, regardless of the method used, in the event the certificates are lost.

PARTICIPANTS SHOULD NOT ENDORSE THEIR CERTIFICATES PRIOR TO MAILING.

Optional Mail Loss Insurance

The participant is advised that choosing registered, express or certified mail alone will not provide full protection, should the certificates become lost or stolen. Mail loss insurance provides the coverage needed to replace and reissue the shares should they become lost or stolen through the mail. As the Plan Administrator, we can provide low-cost loss insurance for certificates being returned for conversion to book-entry form. Replacement transaction fees may also apply.

To take advantage of the optional mail loss insurance, simply include a check in the amount of \$10.00, made payable to WFSS Surety Program , along with the certificates and instructions. Choose an accountable mail delivery service such as Federal Express, United Parcel Service, DHL, Express Mail, Purolator, TNT, or United States Postal Service Registered Mail. Any one shipping package may not contain certificates exceeding a total value of \$100,000. The value of certificate shares is based on the closing market price of the Stock on the trading day prior to the documented mail date.

Claims related to lost certificates under this service must be made within 60 days of the documented delivery service mail date. A copy of the certificate(s) mailed, along with proof that it was sent by trackable mail should be submitted with the claim. This is specific coverage for the purpose of converting shares to book-entry form and the surety is not intended to cover certificates being tendered for certificate breakdown or exchange for other certificates.

Certificate(s) will be issued to a participant for the Company Stock in the participant s account upon written request to the Plan Administrator. No certificate for a fractional share will be issued.

SHARE TRANSFERS WITHIN PLAN

Plan shares may also be transferred to a Plan account of another person subject to compliance with any applicable laws. To do this, you must complete a *Stock Power Form* and return the completed *Stock Power Form* to the Plan Administrator. The signature of the transferring Participant on the *Stock Power Form* must be medallion guaranteed by an eligible financial institution. *Stock Power Forms* may be obtained online at **shareowneronline.com** or by contacting the Plan Administrator. If the person to whom the shares are transferred is not a Participant in the Plan, the Plan Administrator will automatically open an account for the person and enroll him or her in the Plan. You may not pledge or grant a security interest in Plan shares or transfer Plan shares outside of the Plan unless the Plan

Administrator has issued certificates representing the shares.

If you request to transfer all shares in your Plan account between a dividend record date and payable date, your transfer request will be processed; however, your Plan account will not be terminated. You may receive additional dividend reinvestment shares which will require you to submit a written request to transfer the additional shares.

SALE OF SHARES

Sales are usually made through an affiliated broker, who will receive brokerage commissions. Typically, the shares are sold through the exchange on which the shares of the Company are traded. Depending on the number of Company shares to be sold and current trading volume, sale transactions may be completed in multiple transactions and over the course of more than one day. All sales are subject to market conditions, system availability, restrictions and other factors. The actual sale date, time or price received for any shares sold through the Plan cannot be guaranteed.

Participants may instruct the Plan Administrator to sell shares of Non-Voting Stock under the Plan through a Batch Order, Market Order, Day Limit Order, Good- Til-Date/Canceled Limit Order or Stop Order. Sales of Voting Stock are available only through a Batch Order unless the shares are converted into Non-Voting Stock.

Batch Order (online, telephone, mail) The Plan Administrator will combine each request to sell through the Plan with other Plan participant sale requests for a Batch Order. Shares are then periodically submitted in bulk to a broker for sale on the open market. Shares will be sold no later than five business days (except where deferral is necessary under state or federal regulations). Bulk sales may be executed in multiple transactions and over more than one day depending on the number of shares being sold and current trading volumes. Once entered, a Batch Order request cannot be canceled.

Market Order (online or telephone) The participant s request to sell shares in a Market Order will be at the prevailing market price when the trade is executed. If such an order is placed during market hours, the Plan Administrator will promptly submit the shares to a broker for sale on the open market. Once entered, a Market Order request cannot be canceled. Sales requests submitted near the close of the market may be executed on the next trading day, along with other requests received after market close.

Day Limit Order (online or telephone) The participant s request to sell shares in a Day Limit Order will be promptly submitted by the Plan Administrator to a broker. The broker will execute as a Market Order when and if the stock reaches, or exceeds the specified price on the day the order was placed (for orders placed outside of market hours, the next trading day). The order is automatically canceled if the price is not met by the end of that trading day. Depending on the number of shares being sold and current trading volumes, the order may only be partially filled and the remainder of the order canceled. Once entered, a Day Limit Order request cannot be canceled by the participant.

Good- Til-Date/Canceled (GTD/GTC) Limit Order (online or telephone) A GTD/GTC Limit Order request will be promptly submitted by the Plan Administrator to a broker. The broker will execute as a Market Order when and if the stock reaches, or exceeds the specified price at any time while the order remains open (up to the date requested or 90 days for GTC). Depending on the number of shares being sold and current trading volumes, sales may be executed in multiple transactions and may be traded on more than one day. The order or any unexecuted portion will be automatically canceled if the price is not met by the end of the order period. The order may also be canceled by the applicable stock exchange or the participant.

Stop Order (online or telephone) The Plan Administrator will promptly submit a participant s request to sell shares in a Stop Order to a broker. A sale will be executed when the stock reaches a specified price, at which time the Stop Order becomes a Market Order and the sale will be at the prevailing market price when the trade is executed. The price specified in the order must be below the current market price (generally used to limit a market loss).

Sales proceeds will be net of any fees to be paid by the participant (see **Investment Summary and Fees** for details). The Plan Administrator will deduct any fees or applicable tax withholding from the sale proceeds. Sales processed on accounts without a valid Form W-9 for U.S. citizens or Form W-8BEN for non-U.S. citizens will be subject to Federal Backup Withholding. This tax can be avoided by furnishing the appropriate and valid form prior to the sale. Forms are available online at **shareowneronline.com**.

A check for the proceeds of the sale of shares (in U.S. dollars), less applicable taxes and fees, will generally be mailed by first class mail four business days after trade date. If a participant submits a request to sell all or part of the Plan shares, and the participant requests net proceeds to be automatically deposited to a checking or savings account, the participant must provide a voided blank check for a checking account or blank savings deposit slip for a savings account. If the participant is unable to provide a voided check or deposit slip, the participant s written request must

have the participant s signature(s) medallion guaranteed by an eligible financial institution for direct deposit. Requests for automatic deposit of sale proceeds that do not provide the required documentation will not be processed and a check for the net proceeds will be issued.

A participant who wishes to sell shares currently held in certificate form may send them in for deposit to the Plan Administrator and then proceed with the sale. To sell shares through a broker of their choice, the participant may request the broker to transfer shares electronically from the Plan account to their brokerage account. Alternatively, a stock certificate can be requested that the participant can deliver to their broker.

The Company s share price may fluctuate between the time the sale request is received and the time the sale is completed on the open market. The Plan Administrator shall not be liable for any claim arising out of failure to sell on a certain date or at a specific price. Neither the Bank nor any of its affiliates will provide any investment recommendations or investment advice with respect to transactions made through the Plan. This risk should be evaluated by the participant and is a risk that is borne solely by the participant.

SELLING PARTICIPANTS SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THE SHARE PRICE OF THE STOCK MIGHT FALL OR RISE DURING THE PERIOD BETWEEN A REQUEST FOR SALE, ITS RECEIPT BY THE PLAN ADMINISTRATOR, AND THE ULTIMATE SALE ON THE OPEN MARKET. PARTICIPANTS SHOULD EVALUATE THESE POSSIBILITIES WHILE DECIDING WHETHER AND WHEN TO SELL ANY SHARES THROUGH THE PLAN. THE PRICE RISK WILL BE BORNE SOLELY BY THE PARTICIPANT.

TERMINATION

A participant may terminate participation in the Plan at any time by instruction to the Plan Administrator. Requests can be made either online, by telephone or through the mail (see **Contact Information**). A participant requesting termination may elect to retain Company shares or to sell all or a portion of the shares in the account. If a participant chooses to retain the Plan shares, they will be converted and held in book-entry DRS. Any fractional shares will be sold and a check will be sent to the participant for the proceeds. If a participant chooses to sell the Plan shares, the Plan Administrator will sell such shares at the current market value and will send the proceeds to the participant, less fees and any applicable taxes. If no election is made in the request for termination, whole Plan shares will be converted to book entry DRS. Upon termination, any uninvested contributions will be returned to the participant. Any future dividends will be paid in cash, unless the participant rejoins the Plan.

If the participant s request to terminate their participation in the Plan is received on or after a dividend record date, but before the dividend payable date, the participant s termination will be processed as soon as administratively possible, and a separate dividend check will be mailed to the participant.

The Plan Administrator reserves the right to terminate participation in the Plan if a participant does not have at least one whole share in the Plan. Upon termination the participant may receive the cash proceeds from the sale of any fractional share, less any transaction fee and brokerage commission.

After termination, you may re-enroll in the Plan by submitting a new *Account Authorization Form* and complying with all other enrollment procedures (see Enrollment and Participation above). In order to minimize unnecessary plan administrative costs and to encourage use of the Plan as a long-term investment vehicle, the Company reserves the right to deny participation in the Plan to a previous Participant who the Company or the Plan Administrator believes has been excessive in the frequency of Plan enrollment and termination.

OTHER INFORMATION

STOCK DIVIDENDS AND STOCK SPLITS Any shares distributed to you pursuant to a stock dividend or stock split on shares registered in your name or credited to your account under the Plan will be added to your Plan account and not mailed or delivered directly to you. You may however, request the Plan Administrator to issue certificates for such stock dividends or split shares once they are added to your Plan account (see Share Certificates above). If you send a notice of termination or a sales request to the Plan Administrator between the record date and the payable date for a stock distribution, the request will not be processed until the stock distribution is credited to your account.

DIVIDEND AND VOTING RIGHTS Dividend and voting rights of shares purchased under the Plan commence upon settlement of the transaction, which normally is three business days after purchase. Shares of Stock purchased on or within two business days prior to a dividend record date are considered ex-dividend and therefore not entitled to payment of that dividend.

VOTING OF PLAN SHARES Participants in the Plan will receive voting materials and have the sole right to vote the Voting Stock of the Company represented by the shares held for them in the Plan. In the event the participant does not provide direction for voting, the Plan shares will not be voted.

The participant is encouraged to read the information carefully. Votes may be submitted online, by telephone or by returning the signed, dated proxy card. A participant s shares will be voted in accordance with the most recent submitted instructions.

CONVERSION OF VOTING STOCK Owners of Voting Stock may exchange their shares for Non-Voting Stock on a share-for-share basis at any time.

RESALE OF STOCK Generally, there are no restrictions on the resale or transfer of shares of Stock issued under the Plan by non-affiliates of the Company. As defined pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, an affiliate is a person who directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company. Shares of Stock issued pursuant to the Plan may be sold or transferred by non-affiliates once they are no longer subject to any restriction or similar

conditions. Affiliates of the Company must resell their shares of Stock in compliance with the volume limitations and other requirements of Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933 and may need to report their transactions on a Form 144 filed with the SEC. Persons who are affiliates of the Company should consult their own counsel regarding the applicability of Rule 144 if they wish to resell shares of Stock acquired under the Plan.

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY The Plan Administrator, its nominee and the Company shall have no responsibility beyond the exercise of ordinary care for any action taken or omitted pursuant to the Plan, nor shall they have any duties, responsibilities or liabilities except such as are expressly set forth herein.

In administering the Plan, neither the Company, the Plan Administrator nor any independent agent selected by the Plan Administrator shall be liable for any good faith act or omission to act, including, but not limited to any claim of liability (i) arising out of the failure to terminate a participant s account upon such participant s death prior to receipt of a notice in writing of such death, (ii) with respect to the prices or times at which Stock is purchased or sold, or (iii) as to the value of the Stock acquired for participants. Buying and selling Stock is subject to investment risk. The price may fall or rise during the period between a request for investment or sale, its receipt by the Plan Administrator, and the ultimate transaction in the open market. Any decision to purchase or sell securities through the Plan must be made by the participant based upon his or her own research and judgment. The price risk will be borne solely by the participant.

The Plan Administrator is acting solely as agent for the Company and owes no duties, fiduciary or otherwise, to any other person by reason of this Plan, and no implied duties, fiduciary or otherwise, shall be read into this Plan. The Plan Administrator undertakes to perform such duties and only such duties as are expressly set forth herein, to be performed by it, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Plan against the Plan Administrator or the Company.

In the absence of negligence or willful misconduct on its part, the Plan Administrator, whether acting directly or through agents or attorneys, shall not be liable for any action taken, suffered, or omitted or for any error of judgment made by it in the performance of its duties hereunder. In no event shall the Plan Administrator be liable for special, indirect or consequential loss or damage of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to lost profit), even if the Plan Administrator has been advised of the likelihood of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action.

The Plan Administrator shall: (i) not be required to and shall make no representations and have no responsibilities as to the validity, accuracy, value or genuineness of any signatures or endorsements, other than its own; and (ii) not be obligated to take any legal action hereunder that might, in its judgment, involve any expense or liability, unless it has been furnished with reasonable indemnity.

The Plan Administrator shall not be responsible or liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations under this Plan arising out of or caused, directly or indirectly, by circumstances beyond its reasonable control, including, without limitation, acts of God; earthquakes; fires; floods; wars; civil or military disturbances; sabotage; epidemics; riots; interruptions, loss or malfunctions of utilities; computer (hardware or software) or communications services; accidents; labor disputes; acts of civil or military authority or governmental actions; it being understood that the Plan Administrator shall use reasonable efforts which are consistent with accepted practices in the banking industry to resume performance as soon as administratively possible under the circumstances.

The Plan Administrator is authorized to choose a broker, including an affiliated broker, at its sole discretion to facilitate purchases and sales of the Company Stock by Plan participants. The Plan Administrator will furnish the name of the registered broker, including any affiliated broker, utilized in share transactions within a reasonable time upon written request from the participant.

The Company and the Plan Administrator may agree from time to time to amendments and modifications of the Plan.

The Plan Administrator may, for various reasons, require a transaction request to be submitted in writing. Contact the Plan Administrator (see **Contact Information**) to determine if a particular request, including any sales request, must be submitted in writing.

Any notice, instruction, request, election or direction that is required or permitted under the Plan shall become effective when received by the Plan Administrator. Such notice, instruction, request, election or direction shall be mailed to the address set forth in this brochure.

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, participants may not sell, pledge, hypothecate or otherwise assign or transfer the participant s account any interest therein or any cash or shares credited to the participant s account. No attempt at any such sale, pledge, hypothecation or other assignment or transfer shall be effective. Nothing herein shall affect a shareowner s rights in respect to shares for which certificate(s) have been received.

The Plan Administrator may terminate the account at any time by notice in writing mailed to the participant.

MODIFICATION OR TERMINATION OF THE PLAN The Company may suspend, modify or terminate the Plan at any time in whole or in part or with respect to Participants in certain jurisdictions. Notice of such suspension, modification or termination will be sent to all affected Participants. No such event will affect any shares then credited to a Participant s account. Upon any whole or partial termination of the Plan by the Company, each affected Participant will have all full Plan shares converted to book entry/DRS form or a physical certificate will be issued. Participant will receive a check for the value of any fractional share less any fees. The market value will be based on the average of the high and low price of Non-Voting Stock (as reported by the NYSE) on the termination date, or if the NYSE is closed on the termination date, on the next business day the NYSE is open.

DENIAL OR TERMINATION OF THE PLAN At the Company s direction, the Plan Administrator may terminate your participation in the Plan if you do not own at least one full share in your name or held through the Plan. The Company also reserves the right to deny, modify, suspend or terminate participation in the Plan by otherwise eligible persons to the extent it is deemed advisable or necessary in its discretion to comply with applicable laws or to eliminate practices that are not consistent with the purposes of the Plan. If your participation in the Plan is terminated, your full Plan shares will be converted to book entry/DRS form or issued in certificate form. Participants will receive a check for the value of any fractional share less any fees. The market value will be based on the average of the high and low price of Non-Voting Stock as reported by the NYSE on the termination date or if the NYSE is closed on the termination date, on the next business day the NYSE is open.

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