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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement MCCORMICK & CO INC [MKC] A Carpenter William Geoffrey (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 18 LOVETON CIRCLE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) SPARKS, MDÂ 21152 Form filed by More than One V.P., General Counsel Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock - Voting 24,485.63 Common Stock - Voting 2,119.9888 (1) I 401(k) Retirement Plan Common Stock - Non Voting 6,458.59 D Â Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of
Security	Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Indirect Beneficial
(Instr. 4)	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
Options - Right to Buy	01/22/2003(2)	01/21/2012(2)	Common Stock - Voting	8,250	\$ 21.38	D	Â
Options - Right to Buy	01/28/2004(2)	01/27/2013(2)	Common Stock - Voting	11,700	\$ 22.26	D	Â
Options - Right to Buy	01/27/2005(2)	01/26/2014(2)	Common Stock - Voting	11,700	\$ 30.6	D	Â
Options - Right to Buy	01/25/2006(2)	01/24/2015(2)	Common Stock - Voting	6,825	\$ 38.35	D	Â
Options - Right to Buy	01/22/2003(2)	01/21/2012(2)	Common Stock - Non Voting	2,750	\$ 21.38	D	Â
Options - Right to Buy	01/28/2004(2)	01/27/2013(2)	Common Stock - Non Voting	3,900	\$ 22.26	D	Â
Options - Right to Buy	01/27/2005(2)	01/26/2014(2)	Common Stock - Non Voting	3,900	\$ 30.6	D	Â
Options - Right to Buy	01/25/2006(2)	01/24/2015(2)	Common Stock - Non Voting	2,275	\$ 38.35	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	(3)	Common Stock - Voting	588	\$ <u>(5)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	(4)	Common Stock - Voting	1,276	\$ <u>(5)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	(3)	Common Stock - Non Voting	196	\$ <u>(5)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	(4)	Common Stock -	426	\$ (5)	D	Â

Non Voting

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Carpenter William Geoffrey 18 LOVETON CIRCLE SPARKS, MD 21152	Â	Â	V.P., General Counsel	Â	

Signatures

W. Geoffrey Carpenter, Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- Shares held in the McCormick 401(k) retirement Plan are as of December 1, 2008. The reporting person owns units in the McCormick Stock Fund in the McCormick 401(k) Retirement Plan and the number of shares reported as beneficially owned is based on the market value of the reporting person's McCormick Stock Fund divided by the closing stock price of the common stock of McCormick on date indicated.
- (2) Twenty-five percent (25%) of the option becomes exercisable at each of the first four (4) grant anniversaries.
- (3) The reported Restricted Stock Units are part of an award that vested 50% on March 28, 2008 and the remaining units will vest on March 29, 2008.
 - The reported Restricted Stock Units entitle the reporting person to receive, on each of the first and second anniversaries of the grant date,
- (4) a distribution of common stock equal to 50% of the grant. Once vested, the Restricted Stock Units are settled in an equal number of shares of Common Stock.
- (5) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock.

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