

MCCORMICK & CO INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 PRESTON MARGARET M V

(Last) (First) (Middle)

MCCORMICK & COMPANY,  
 INCORPORATED, 18 LOVETON  
 CIRCLE

(Street)

SPARKS, MD 21152

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 MCCORMICK & CO INC [MKC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/28/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Amount  | Price  |                                   |
| Common Stock - Voting           |                                      |  |                                | (A)   | 10,617  |  | D                                 |
| Common Stock - Non Voting       |                                      |  |                                | (A)   | 2,367   |  | 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)

| 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Phantom Stock                              | (1)  |                                      |  |                                |   | (1) (1)  | Common Stock - Voting   | 0                             |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (2)  | 03/28/2012                           |  | A                              | 1,660   | (3) (3)  | Common Stock - Voting   | 1,660                         |
| Options - Right to Buy                     | \$ 54.24   | 03/28/2012                           |  | A                              | 5,000   | (4) 03/27/2022   | Common Stock - Voting   | 5,000                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| PRESTON MARGARET M V<br>MCCORMICK & COMPANY, INCORPORATED<br>18 LOVETON CIRCLE<br>SPARKS, MD 21152 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

W. Geoffrey Carpenter,  
Attorney-in-fact

03/30/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## 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).
- (1) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive one share of Common Stock - Voting. Shares of phantom stock are payable in shares of Common Stock - Voting in accordance with the terms of the Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock.

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(3) The restricted stock units vest in full on 3/15/2013, and are settled in an equal number of shares of Common Stock.

(4) The option vests in full on 3/15/2013.

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