

SMITHFIELD FOODS INC  
Form 8-K  
October 15, 2013

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 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): October 15, 2013

SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Virginia<br>(State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation)                              | 1-15321<br>(Commission File<br>Number) | 52-0845861<br>(IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |
| 200 Commerce Street<br>Smithfield, Virginia<br>(Address of principal executive<br>offices) |  | 23430<br>(Zip Code)                                |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (757) 365-3000

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On October 15, 2013, Smithfield Foods, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing the expiration of its change of control offer on October 11, 2013, with respect to the Company’s 6.625% senior notes due 2022 (the “Notes”).

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated October 15, 2013

**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: October 15, 2013

SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.

/s/ Michael H. Cole

Michael H. Cole

Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and  
Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated October 15, 2013