## 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):
June 7, 1996

 $\label{eq:mccormick} \mbox{McCORMICK & COMPANY, INCORPORATED} \\ \mbox{(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)}$ 

Maryland 0-748 2-0408290 (State or other (Commission (IRS Employer jurisdiction) File Number) Identification No.)

18 Loveton Circle

Sparks, Maryland 21152 (Address of principal (zip code)

executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (410) 771-7301

Item 5. Other Events.

On June 7, 1996, the Registrant issued a press release which is filed as Exhibit 99 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

- Item 7. Financial Statement and Exhibits.
  - (c) Exhibits
    - 99. Copy of the Registrant's press release referred to in Item 5.

## SIGNATURE

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 thereunto duly authorized.

McCORMICK & COMPANY, INCORPORATED

/s/Carroll D. Nordhoff Carroll D. Nordhoff Executive Vice President

DATE: June 12, 1996

EXHIBIT 99

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

McCORMICK ANNOUNCES ACTIONS RESULTING FROM PORTFOLIO REVIEW

SPARKS, MD, June 7 -- Continuing its current focus on portfolio management, McCormick & Company, Incorporated today announced a series of actions designed to position the organization for the future. The Company expects to record a pre-tax charge of \$57 million in the third quarter. An additional \$3 million charge will be recorded as these actions are completed.

Actions to be taken include the following:

- . The Brooklyn, NY plant of packaging subsidiary Setco, Inc. will be closed.
- . Certain overseas manufacturing facilities will be realigned.
- . Giza National Dehydration Company of Cairo, Egypt, a subsidiary of Gilroy Foods, Incorporated, will be sold. This action is consistent with the Company's recent decision to sell Gilroy Foods.
- . A number of small, non-core businesses will be divested.
- . Certain regions of the U.S. consumer business will change from a direct sales force to a broker sales force to deliver products to market more effectively.
- . The Company will exit certain minor, non-core product lines.

As a result of these actions, net sales of the Company will be reduced by approximately 5%.

No Baltimore-based personnel will be included in these actions.  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) \left$ 

Commented Charles P. McCormick, Jr., Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, "We are committed to our mission to profitably expand our worldwide leadership position in the spice, seasoning, and flavoring markets. This essential portfolio review will allow us to focus on our core businesses and create shareholder value."

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