SECURITIES & 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):

August 16, 2006

McCormick & Company, Incorporated

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland0-74852-0408290(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)(Commission
File Number)(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

18 Loveton Circle
Sparks, Maryland
(Address of principal executive offices)

21152

(Zip Code)

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

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):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b).
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c).

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

(b) On August 16, 2006, Mr. Barry H. Beracha notified the Registrant that he has decided to retire from the Registrant's Board of Directors and therefore will not stand for re-election at the Registrant's Annual Meeting scheduled to be held on March 28, 2007. Mr. Beracha will continue to serve as a member of the Board and Chair of the Compensation Committee until the date of the Annual Meeting. Mr. Beracha has served as a director for the Registrant for six years and we are grateful for his dedicated service to McCormick, its employees and stockholders.

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.

McCORMICK & COMPANY, INCORPORATED

Date: August 18, 2006

By: /s/Robert W. Skelton

Robert W. Skelton

Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary