

CONAGRA FOODS INC /DE/
Form 8-K
April 20, 2015

UNITED STATES
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):

April 20, 2015

ConAgra Foods, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-7275

(Commission
File Number)

47-0248710

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

One ConAgra Drive, Omaha, Nebraska

(Address of principal executive offices)

68102

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

402-240-4000

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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- ☐ 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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

ConAgra Foods, Inc. (the "Company") reaffirms its previously announced guidance of fiscal 2015 diluted EPS, adjusted for items impacting comparability, to be in the range of \$2.15-\$2.19. The Company also reaffirms its previously announced expectations for operating cash flow to approximate \$1.55 billion. The Company continues to expect to reduce debt by a total of \$1 billion in fiscal 2015, thereby completing its broader debt reduction goals for the fiscal 2013-2015 period.

This Current Report on Form 8-K includes the non-GAAP financial measure of diluted EPS, adjusted for items impacting comparability. Management considers GAAP financial measures as well as such non-GAAP financial information in its evaluation of the Company's financial statements and believes this non-GAAP measure provides useful supplemental information to assess the Company's operating performance and financial position. The inability to predict the timing and amount of future items impacting comparability makes a detailed reconciliation of earnings per share growth impracticable.

Note on Forward-looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are based on management's current expectations and are subject to uncertainty and changes in circumstances. These risks and uncertainties include, among other things: ConAgra Foods' ability to realize the synergies and benefits contemplated by the acquisition of Ralcorp Holding, Inc. ("Ralcorp") and its ability to promptly and effectively integrate the business of Ralcorp; ConAgra Foods' ability to realize the synergies and benefits contemplated by the Ardent Mills joint venture; risks and uncertainties associated with intangible assets, including any future goodwill or intangible asset impairment charges, including any future goodwill or intangible assets impairment charges; the availability and prices of raw materials, including any negative effects caused by inflation or weather conditions; the effectiveness of ConAgra Foods' product pricing, including product innovation, any pricing actions and changes in promotional strategies; the ultimate outcome of litigation, including litigation related to the lead paint and pigment matters; future economic circumstances; industry conditions; the effectiveness of ConAgra Foods' hedging activities, including volatility in commodities that could negatively impact ConAgra Foods' derivative positions and, in turn, ConAgra Foods' earnings; ConAgra Foods' ability to execute its operating and restructuring plans, including the Private Brands turnaround plan, and achieve operating efficiencies; the success of ConAgra Foods' cost-saving initiatives, innovation, and marketing investments; the competitive environment and related market conditions; the ultimate impact of any ConAgra Foods' product recalls; access to capital; actions of governments and regulatory factors affecting ConAgra Foods' businesses, including the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; the amount and timing of repurchases of ConAgra Foods' common stock and debt, if any; and other risks described in our reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. We caution readers not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements included in this report, which speak only as of the date of this report.

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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.

ConAgra Foods, Inc.

April 20, 2015

By: *Lyneth Rhoten*

Name: Lyneth Rhoten

*Title: Vice President, Securities Counsel and Assistant
Corporate Secretary*