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### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

	Maximum Aggregate	Amount of
Title of each class of securities offered	Offering Price	Registration Fee(1)
3.050% Notes due 2017	\$400,000,000	\$28,520

<sup>(1)</sup> Calculated in accordance with Rule 457(r).

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### **Prospectus Supplement**

(To Prospectus Dated November 24, 2008)

\$400,000,000

3.050% Notes due 2017

Interest payable January 15 and July 15

## **Issue price: 99.711%**

The notes will mature on July 15, 2017. Interest will accrue from July 6, 2010 and will be payable semi-annually on each January 15 and July 15, commencing January 15, 2011. We may redeem the notes in whole or in part at any time at the redemption price described on page S-6. The notes will be our unsecured senior debt obligations and will rank equally with all of our other existing and future unsecured senior indebtedness.

The notes will not be listed on any securities exchange. Currently, there is no public market for the notes.

Investing in the notes involves risk. See Risk Factors beginning on page S-2.

	Price to Public <sup>(a)</sup>	Underwriting Discount	Proceeds, Before Expenses, to Us
Per Note	99.711%	0.625%	99.086%
Total	\$398,844,000	\$2,500,000	\$396,344,000

(a) Plus accrued interest, if any, from July 6, 2010.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of the notes or determined that this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus is accurate or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

We expect to deliver the notes to investors through the book-entry delivery systems of The Depository Trust Company, Euroclear or Clearstream on or about July 6, 2010.

Joint Book-Running Managers

## **Barclays Capital**

## **BNP PARIBAS**

J.P. Morgan

Co-Managers

Citi Mizuho Securities USA Inc.

Nikko Bank (Luxembourg) S.A.

**PNC Capital Markets LLC** 

Wells Fargo Securities

June 30, 2010

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**Experts** 

No person is authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any free writing prospectus filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC). We take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. This prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and any such free writing prospectus do not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities other than the securities described in this prospectus supplement or an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy such securities in any circumstances in which such offer or solicitation is unlawful. Neither the delivery of this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any such free writing prospectus, nor any sale made hereunder and thereunder shall under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of Campbell Soup Company since the date of this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any such free writing prospectus, or that the information contained or incorporated by reference herein or therein is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of such information.

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### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

This prospectus supplement contains the terms of this offering of notes. This prospectus supplement, or the information incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, may add, update or change information in the accompanying prospectus. If information in this prospectus supplement, or the information incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, is inconsistent with the accompanying prospectus, this prospectus supplement, or the information incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, will apply and will supersede that information in the accompanying prospectus.

It is important for you to read and consider all information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus in making your investment decision. You should also read and consider the information in the documents we have referred you to in Where You Can Find More Information below.

In this prospectus supplement, unless otherwise stated, the terms we, us and our refer to Campbell Soup Company and our consolidated subsidiaries.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any document that we file at the Public Reference Room of the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. In addition, the SEC maintains an Internet site at <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>, from which interested persons can electronically access our public filings. You may also electronically access these documents through our website, <a href="http://www.campbellsoupcompany.com">www.campbellsoupcompany.com</a>, under the Investor Center Financial Information SEC Filings caption. We are not incorporating the contents of the website into this prospectus supplement.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information we file with them, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is an important part of this prospectus supplement, and information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below and any future filings we make with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ) (other than, in each case, documents or information deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with SEC rules), on or after the date of this prospectus supplement until we sell all of the securities covered by this prospectus supplement:

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended August 2, 2009;

Our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended November 1, 2009, January 31, 2010 and May 2, 2010;

Our Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on October 8, 2009; and

Our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 14, 2009, March 12, 2010 and March 30, 2010.

You may request a copy of these filings, at no cost, by writing to or telephoning us at the following address:
Corporate Secretary
Campbell Soup Company
One Campbell Place
Camden, New Jersey 08103-1799
(856) 342-6122

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### **CAMPBELL SOUP COMPANY**

We operate in four business segments:

### U.S. Soup, Sauces and Beverages

The U.S. Soup, Sauces and Beverages segment includes the following retail businesses: *Campbell s* condensed and ready-to-serve soups; *Swanson* broth, stocks and canned poultry; *Prego* pasta sauce; *Pace* Mexican sauce; *Campbell s* canned pasta, gravies and beans; *V8* juice and juice drinks; and *Campbell s* tomato juice.

### **Baking and Snacking**

The Baking and Snacking segment includes the following businesses: *Pepperidge Farm* cookies, crackers, bakery and frozen products in U.S. retail; and *Arnott* s biscuits in Australia and Asia Pacific.

### International Soup, Sauces and Beverages

The International Soup, Sauces and Beverages segment includes the soup, sauce and beverage businesses outside of the United States, including Europe, Latin America, the Asia Pacific region, as well as the emerging markets of Russia and China, and the retail business in Canada.

### North America Foodservice

The North America Foodservice segment represents the distribution of products such as soup, specialty entrees, beverage products, other prepared foods and Pepperidge Farm products through various food service channels in the U.S. and Canada.

#### RISK FACTORS

An investment in the notes is subject to various risks. These risks should be considered carefully with the information provided elsewhere and incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus before deciding to invest in the notes. In addition, the following risks and uncertainties could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial also may impair our business operations and financial condition.

### We operate in a highly competitive industry

We operate in the highly competitive food industry and experience worldwide competition in all of our principal products. The principal areas of competition are brand recognition, quality, price, advertising, promotion, convenience and service. A number of our primary competitors have substantial financial, marketing and other resources. A strong competitive response from one or more of these competitors to our marketplace efforts, or a consumer shift towards private label offerings, could result in us reducing pricing, increasing marketing or other expenditures, or losing market share.

#### We face risks related to recession, financial and credit market disruptions and other economic conditions

Customer and consumer demand for our products may be impacted by recession or other economic downturns in the United States or other nations. Similarly, disruptions in financial and credit markets may impact our ability to manage normal commercial relationships with our customers, suppliers and creditors. In addition, changes in any one of the following factors in the United States or other nations, whether due to recession, financial and credit market disruptions or other reasons, could impact us: currency exchange rates, tax rates, interest rates or equity markets.

#### Fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates could adversely affect our results

We hold assets and incur liabilities, earn revenue, and pay expenses in a variety of currencies other than the U.S. dollar, primarily the Australian dollar, Canadian dollar, and the euro. Our consolidated financial statements are presented in U.S. dollars, and therefore we must translate our assets, liabilities, revenue, and expenses into U.S. dollars for external reporting purposes. As a result, changes in the value of the U.S. dollar may materially and negatively affect the value of these items in our consolidated financial statements, even if their value has not changed in their original currency.

### Our results may be adversely impacted by increases in the price of raw and packaging materials

The raw and packaging materials used in our business include tomato paste, grains, beef, poultry, vegetables, steel, glass, paper and resin. Many of these materials are subject to price fluctuations from a number of factors, including product scarcity, demand for raw materials, commodity market speculation, energy costs, currency fluctuations, weather conditions, import and export requirements and changes in

government-sponsored agricultural programs. To the extent any of these factors result in an increase in raw and packaging material prices, we may not be able to offset such increases through productivity or price increases or through our commodity hedging activity.

Our results are dependent on successful marketplace initiatives and acceptance by consumers of our products

Our results are dependent on successful marketplace initiatives and acceptance by consumers of our products. Our product introductions and product improvements, along with our other marketplace initiatives, are designed to capitalize on new customer or consumer trends. In order to remain successful, we must anticipate and react to these new trends and develop new products or processes to address them. While we devote significant resources to meeting this goal, we may not be successful in developing new products or processes, or our new products or processes may not be accepted by customers or consumers.

We may be adversely impacted by increased liabilities and costs related to our defined benefit pension plans

We sponsor a number of defined benefit pension plans for employees in the United States and various foreign locations. The major defined benefit pension plans are funded with trust assets invested in a globally diversified portfolio of securities and other investments. Changes in regulatory requirements or the market value of plan assets, investment returns, interest rates and mortality rates may affect the funded status of our defined benefit pension plans and cause volatility in the net periodic benefit cost, future funding requirements of the plans and the funded status as recorded on the balance sheet. A significant increase in our obligations or future funding requirements could have a material adverse effect on our financial results.

We may be adversely impacted by the increased significance of some of our customers

The retail grocery trade continues to consolidate. These consolidations have produced large, sophisticated customers with increased buying power and negotiating strength who may seek lower prices or increased promotional programs funded by their suppliers. These customers may also in the future use more of their shelf space, currently used for our products, for their private label products. If we are unable to use our scale, marketing expertise, product innovation and category leadership positions to respond to these customer initiatives, our business or financial results could be negatively impacted. In addition, the disruption of sales to any of our large customers for an extended period of time could adversely affect our business or financial results.

We may be adversely impacted by inadequacies in, or failure of, our information technology systems

Each year we engage in several billion dollars of transactions with our customers and vendors. Because the amount of dollars involved is so significant, our information technology resources must provide connections among our marketing, sales, manufacturing, logistics, customer service, and accounting functions. If we do not allocate and effectively manage the resources necessary to build and sustain an appropriate technology infrastructure and to maintain the related computerized and manual control processes, our business or financial results could be negatively impacted.

We may not properly execute, or realize anticipated cost savings or benefits from, our ongoing supply chain, information technology or other initiatives

Our success is partly dependent upon properly executing, and realizing cost savings or other benefits from, our ongoing supply chain, information technology and other initiatives. These initiatives are primarily designed to make us more efficient in the manufacture and distribution of our products,

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which is necessary in our highly competitive industry. These initiatives are often complex, and a failure to implement them properly may, in addition to not meeting projected cost savings or benefits, result in an interruption to our sales, manufacturing, logistics, customer service or accounting functions.

#### Disruption to our supply chain could adversely affect our business

Damage or disruption to our suppliers or to our manufacturing or distribution capabilities due to weather, natural disaster, fire, terrorism, pandemic, strikes, or other reasons could impair our ability to manufacture and/or sell our products. Failure to take adequate steps to mitigate the likelihood or potential impact of such events, or to effectively manage such events if they occur, particularly when a product is sourced from a single location, could adversely affect our business or financial results.

### We may be adversely impacted by the failure to successfully execute acquisitions and divestitures

From time to time, we undertake acquisitions or divestitures. The success of any such acquisition or divestiture depends, in part, upon our ability to identify suitable buyers or sellers, negotiate favorable contractual terms and, in many cases, obtain governmental approval. For acquisitions, success is also dependent upon efficiently integrating the acquired business into our existing operations and successfully managing new risks associated with the acquired business. In addition, for acquisitions, we could incur substantial additional indebtedness, which, among other things, may lead to a change in our credit ratings. In cases where acquisitions or divestitures are not successfully implemented or completed, our business or financial results could be negatively impacted.

### Our results may be impacted negatively by political conditions in the nations where we do business

We are a global manufacturer and marketer of high-quality, branded convenience food products. Because of our global reach, our performance may be impacted negatively by politically motivated factors, such as unfavorable changes in legal or regulatory requirements, tariffs, or export and import restrictions, in the nations where we do business. We may also be impacted by political instability, civil disobedience, armed hostilities, natural disasters and terrorist acts in the nations where we do business.

If our food products become adulterated or are mislabeled, we might need to recall those items and may experience product liability claims if consumers are injured

We may need to recall some of our products if they become adulterated or if they are mislabeled. We may also be liable if the consumption of any of our products causes injury. A widespread product recall could result in significant losses due to the costs of a recall, the destruction of product inventory and lost sales due to the unavailability of product for a period of time. We could also suffer losses from a significant product liability judgment against us. A significant product recall or product liability case could also result in adverse publicity, damage to our reputation and a loss of consumer confidence in our food products.

#### USE OF PROCEEDS

We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering, which we estimate to be approximately \$395.8 million after deducting underwriting discounts and estimated expenses, for general corporate purposes, which may include repaying commercial paper borrowings or funding all or a portion of the purchase price of any acquisition we may pursue. As of June 29, 2010, the effective weighted average interest rate of our commercial paper was approximately 0.39% and the weighted average maturity was 15 days.

### RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth our consolidated ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the periods shown:

Nine Months	Fiscal Year Ended				
Ended 5/02/10	8/02/09	8/03/08	7/29/07	7/30/06	7/31/05
11.8	9.2	5.7	6.5	5.8	5.1

The ratios of earnings to fixed charges were computed by dividing our earnings by fixed charges. For this purpose, earnings include the sum of earnings from continuing operations before taxes, amortization of capitalized interest, and fixed charges, less capitalized interest. Fixed charges include interest expense, capitalized interest, amortization of debt expenses and the estimated interest components of rentals. All amounts are on an as reported basis. On August 1, 2005, we adopted new authoritative guidance that required all stock-based compensation to be measured based on the grant-date fair value and expensed over the period which an employee is required to provide service in exchange for the award. Had all stock-based compensation been expensed in periods prior to August 1, 2005, the pre-tax pro forma impact on earnings from continuing operations would have been a reduction of \$43 million in fiscal year 2005. Including the effects of such charges, the pro forma ratio of earnings to fixed charges would have been 4.9 in fiscal year 2005. In the nine months ended May 2, 2010 and the fiscal year 2008, we recorded pre-tax restructuring charges of \$12 million and \$175 million, respectively. In fiscal year 2009, we recognized a pre-tax impairment charge of \$67 million related to certain European trademarks. In fiscal year 2006, we recognized a non-cash reduction of \$21 million in interest expense associated with the favorable settlement of a U.S. tax contingency.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE NOTES

#### General

The notes will be issued under an indenture dated as of November 24, 2008, between us and The Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee. The following description of the particular terms of the notes supplements the description of the general terms and provisions of the debt securities set forth in the accompanying prospectus, to which reference is made. As used in the following description, the terms we, us and our refer to Campbell Soup Company only, and do not include our consolidated subsidiaries.

The notes offered by this prospectus supplement:

will be our unsecured general obligations,

will not be guaranteed by any of our subsidiaries,

will be issued in book-entry form only, in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess of \$2,000,

will mature on July 15, 2017, and

will bear interest from July 6, 2010 at the rate of 3.050% per annum, payable semi-annually on each January 15 and July 15, commencing January 15, 2011, to the persons in whose names the notes are registered at the close of business on the preceding January 1 and July 1, respectively.

### **Issuance of Additional Notes**

We may, without the consent of the holders, increase the principal amount of the notes by issuing additional notes in the future on the same terms and conditions, except for any differences in the issue price and interest accrued prior to the issue date of the additional notes, and with the same CUSIP number as the notes offered hereby. The notes offered by this prospectus supplement and any additional notes would rank equally and ratably and would be treated as a single series for all purposes under the indenture.

### **Optional Redemption**

We may redeem the notes, in whole or in part, at our option, at any time at a redemption price equal to the greater of:

100% of the principal amount of such notes or

as determined by a Quotation Agent, the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest thereon (not including any portion of such payments of interest accrued as of the date of redemption) discounted to the redemption date on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Adjusted Treasury Rate, plus 10 basis points,

plus, in each case, accrued interest on the notes to, but excluding, the redemption date.

Adjusted Treasury Rate means, with respect to any redemption date, the rate per annum equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, assuming a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such redemption date.

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Comparable Treasury Issue means the United States Treasury security selected by a Quotation Agent as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term of the notes to be redeemed that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of such notes.

Comparable Treasury Price means, with respect to any redemption date, (1) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such redemption date, after excluding the highest and lowest such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, or (2) if the trustee obtains fewer than three such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all such Quotations.

Quotation Agent means the Reference Treasury Dealer appointed by the trustee after consultation with us.

Reference Treasury Dealer means (1) Barclays Capital Inc., BNP Paribas Securities Corp. and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and their respective successors; provided, however, that if any of the foregoing shall cease to be a primary U.S. Government securities dealer (a Primary Treasury Dealer ), we shall substitute therefor another Primary Treasury Dealer; and (2) any other Primary Treasury Dealer selected by the trustee after consultation with us.

Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any redemption date, the average, as determined by the trustee, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the trustee by such Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m. on the third business day preceding such redemption date.

Notice of any redemption will be mailed at least 30 days but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each holder of the notes to be redeemed.

Unless we default in payment of the redemption price, on and after the redemption date, interest will cease to accrue on the notes or portions of the notes called for redemption.

### **Sinking Fund**

The notes will not be entitled to any sinking fund.

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#### **BOOK-ENTRY ISSUANCE**

The notes will be represented by one or more global securities that will be deposited with and registered in the name of The Depository Trust Company (DTC) or its nominee. Thus, we will not issue certificated securities to you for the notes, except in the limited circumstances described below. Each global security will be issued to DTC, which will keep a computerized record of its participants whose clients have purchased the notes. Each participant will then keep a record of its clients. Unless it is exchanged in whole or in part for a certificated security, a global security may not be transferred. DTC, its nominees and their successors may, however, transfer a global security as a whole to one another, and these transfers are required to be recorded on our records or a register to be maintained by the trustee. The laws of some jurisdictions may require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of such securities in definitive form. Such limits and laws may impair the ability to transfer or pledge beneficial interests in the global securities.

Beneficial interests in a global security will be shown on, and transfers of beneficial interests in the global security will be made only through, records maintained by DTC and its participants. DTC has provided us with the following information: DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a banking organization within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the United States Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a clearing agency registered under the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds securities that its direct participants deposit with DTC. DTC also records the settlements among direct participants of securities transactions, such as transfers and pledges, in deposited securities through computerized records for direct participants accounts. This eliminates the need to exchange certificated securities. Direct participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations, some of whom (and/or their representatives) own DTC.

DTC s book-entry system is also used by other organizations such as securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies that work through a direct participant. The rules that apply to DTC and its participants are on file with the SEC.

When you purchase notes through the DTC system, the purchases must be made by or through a direct participant, which will receive credit for the notes on DTC s records. When you actually purchase the notes, you will become their beneficial owner. Your ownership interest will be recorded only on the direct or indirect participants records. DTC will have no knowledge of your individual ownership of the notes. DTC s records will show only the identity of the direct participant and the amount of the notes held by or through them. You will not receive a written confirmation of your purchase or sale or any periodic account statement directly from DTC. You should instead receive these from your direct or indirect participant. As a result, the direct or indirect participants are responsible for keeping accurate account of the holdings of their customers. The trustee will wire payments on the notes to DTC s nominee. The trustee and we will treat DTC s nominee as the owner of each global security for all purposes. Accordingly, the trustee, any paying agent and we will have no direct responsibility or liability to pay amounts due on a global security to you or any other beneficial owners in that global security. Any redemption notices will be sent by us directly to DTC, which will, in turn, inform the direct participants (or the indirect participants), which will then contact you as a beneficial holder.

It is DTC s current practice, upon receipt of any payment of distributions or liquidation amounts, to proportionately credit direct participants accounts on the payment date based on their holdings. In addition, it is DTC s current practice to pass through any consenting or voting rights to such

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participants by using an omnibus proxy. Those participants will, in turn, make payments to and solicit votes from you, the ultimate owner of notes, based on their customary practices. Payments to you will be the responsibility of the participants and not of DTC, the trustee or our company.

Notes represented by one or more global securities will be exchangeable for certificated securities with the same terms in authorized denominations only if:

DTC is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary or ceases to be a clearing agency registered under applicable law, and a successor is not appointed by us within 90 days; or

we decide to discontinue the book-entry system; or

an event of default has occurred and is continuing with respect to the notes.

If the global security is exchanged for certificated securities, the trustee will keep the registration books for the notes at its corporate office and follow customary practices and procedures regarding those certificated securities.

#### Clearstream and Euroclear

Links have been established among DTC, Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System ( Euroclear ) and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ( Clearstream ), which are two European book-entry depositaries similar to DTC, to facilitate the initial issuance of the notes sold outside of the United States and cross-market transfers of the notes associated with secondary market trading.

Although DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the procedures provided below in order to facilitate transfers, they are under no obligation to perform these procedures, and these procedures may be modified or discontinued at any time.

Clearstream and Euroclear will record the ownership interests of their participants in much the same way as DTC, and DTC will record the total ownership of each of the U.S. agents of Clearstream and Euroclear, as participants in DTC.

When notes are to be transferred from the account of a DTC participant to the account of a Clearstream participant or a Euroclear participant, the purchaser must send instructions to Clearstream or Euroclear through a participant at least one day prior to settlement. Clearstream or Euroclear, as the case may be, will instruct its U.S. agent to receive notes against payment. After settlement, Clearstream or Euroclear will credit its participant s account. Credit for the notes will appear on the next day (European time).

Because settlement is taking place during New York business hours, DTC participants will be able to employ their usual procedures for sending notes to the relevant U.S. agent acting for the benefit of Clearstream or Euroclear participants. The sale proceeds will be available to the DTC

seller on the settlement date. As a result, to the DTC participant, a cross-market transaction will settle no differently than a trade between two DTC participants.

When a Clearstream or Euroclear participant wishes to transfer notes to a DTC participant, the seller will be required to send instructions to Clearstream or Euroclear through a participant at least one business day prior to settlement. In these cases, Clearstream or Euroclear will instruct its U.S. agent to transfer these notes against payment for them. The payment will then be reflected in the account of the Clearstream or Euroclear participant the following day, with the proceeds back-valued to the value date, which would be the preceding day, when settlement occurs in New York. If settlement is not completed on the intended value date, that is, the trade fails, proceeds credited to the Clearstream or Euroclear participant s account will instead be valued as of the actual settlement date.

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### MATERIAL UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following are the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of ownership and disposition of the notes. This discussion applies only to notes that are: purchased by those initial holders who purchase notes in this offering at the issue price, which will equal the first price to the public (not including bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers) at which a substantial amount of the notes is sold for money; and held as capital assets. This discussion does not describe all of the tax consequences that may be relevant to a holder in light of the holder s particular circumstances or to holders subject to special rules, such as: certain financial institutions; insurance companies; dealers in securities; persons holding notes as part of a hedge, straddle, integrated transaction or similar transaction; U.S. Holders (as defined below) whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar; partnerships or other entities classified as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes; tax-exempt entities; or persons subject to the alternative minimum tax.

If an entity that is classified as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes holds notes, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Partnerships holding notes and partners in such partnerships should consult their tax advisors as to the particular U.S. federal income tax consequences to them of holding and disposing of the notes.

This summary is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code ), administrative pronouncements, judicial decisions and final, temporary and proposed Treasury Regulations, changes to any of which subsequent to the date of this prospectus supplement may affect the tax consequences described herein. Persons considering the purchase of notes are urged to consult their tax advisors with regard to the application of the U.S. federal income tax laws to their particular situations as well as any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, local or foreign taxing jurisdiction.

### Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders

As used herein, the term U.S. Holder means a beneficial owner of a note that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

an individual citizen or resident of the United States;

a corporation, or other entity taxable as a corporation, created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or of any political subdivision thereof; or

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an estate or trust the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source.

The term U.S. Holder also includes certain former citizens and residents of the United States.

Payments of interest

Interest paid on a note will be taxable to a U.S. Holder as ordinary interest income at the time it accrues or is received in accordance with the U.S. Holder s method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Sale, exchange or other disposition of the notes

Upon the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition of a note, a U.S. Holder will recognize taxable gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition and the U.S. Holder s tax basis in the note. For these purposes, the amount realized does not include any amount attributable to accrued interest. Amounts attributable to accrued interest are treated as interest as described under Payments of interest above.

Gain or loss realized on the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition of a note will generally be capital gain or loss and will be long-term capital gain or loss if at the time of the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition the note has been held by the U.S. Holder for more than one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations under the Code.

Additional notes

A U.S. Holder should be aware that additional notes that are treated for non-tax purposes as a single series with the original notes may be treated as part of a separate issuance for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In such case, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the new notes may be considered to have been issued with original issue discount, which may affect the market value of the original notes since such additional notes may not be distinguishable from the original notes.

Backup withholding and information reporting

Information returns will be filed with the Internal Revenue Service (the IRS) in connection with payments on the notes and the proceeds from a sale or other disposition of the notes. A U.S. Holder will be subject to U.S. backup withholding on these payments if the U.S. Holder fails to provide its taxpayer identification number to the paying agent and comply with certain certification procedures or otherwise establish an exemption from backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax. The amount of any backup withholding from a payment to a U.S. Holder will be allowed as a credit against the U.S. Holder s U.S. federal income tax liability and may entitle the U.S. Holder to a refund, provided that the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

### Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders

As used herein, the term	Non-U.S. Holder	means a beneficial owner of a note that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:	

a nonresident alien individual;

a foreign corporation; or

a foreign estate or trust.

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Non-U.S. Holder does not include a holder who is an individual present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year of disposition of a note and who is not otherwise a resident of the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Such a holder is urged to consult his or her own tax advisor regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences of the sale, exchange or other disposition of a note.

Payments on the notes

Subject to the discussion below concerning backup withholding, payments of principal and interest on the notes by us or any paying agent to any Non-U.S. Holder will not be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax, provided that, in the case of interest,

the Non-U.S. Holder does not own, actually or constructively, 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of our stock entitled to vote, and is not a controlled foreign corporation related, directly or indirectly, to us through stock ownership; and

the certification requirement described below has been fulfilled with respect to the beneficial owner, as discussed below.

Certification requirement

Interest on a note will not be exempt from withholding tax unless the beneficial owner of that note certifies on a properly executed IRS Form W-8BEN, under penalties of perjury, that it is not a United States person. Special certification rules apply to notes that are held through foreign intermediaries.

If a Non-U.S. Holder of a note is engaged in a trade or business in the United States, and if interest on the note is effectively connected with the conduct of this trade or business (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, is also attributable to a permanent establishment maintained by the Non-U.S. Holder in the United States), the Non-U.S. Holder, although exempt from the withholding tax discussed in the preceding paragraphs, will generally be taxed in the same manner as a U.S. Holder (see Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders above), except that the holder will be required to provide to us a properly executed IRS Form W-8ECI in order to claim an exemption from withholding tax. These holders should consult their own tax advisors with respect to other U.S. tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of notes, including the possible imposition of a branch profits tax, currently at a rate of 30% (or a lower treaty rate).

Sale, exchange or other disposition of the notes

Subject to the discussion below concerning backup withholding, a Non-U.S. Holder of a note will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on gain realized on the sale, exchange or other disposition of such note, unless the gain is effectively connected with the conduct by the Non-U.S. Holder of a trade or business in the United States, subject to an applicable income tax treaty providing otherwise.

If a Non-U.S. Holder is engaged in a trade or business in the United States and gain realized by the Non-U.S. Holder on a sale, exchange or other disposition of notes is effectively connected with the conduct of such trade or business, the Non-U.S. Holder will generally be taxed in the same manner as a U.S. Holder (see Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders above), subject to an applicable income tax treaty providing otherwise.

Non-U.S. Holders whose gain from dispositions of notes may be effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States are urged to consult their own tax advisors with respect to the U.S. tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of notes, including the possible imposition of a branch profits tax.

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Additional notes

A Non-U.S. Holder should be aware that additional notes that are treated for non-tax purposes as a single series with the original notes may be treated as part of a separate issuance for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In such case, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the new notes may be considered to have been issued with original issue discount, which may affect the market value of the original notes since such additional notes may not be distinguishable from the original notes.

Backup withholding and information reporting

Information returns will be filed with the IRS in connection with payments on the notes. Unless the Non-U.S. Holder complies with certification procedures to establish that it is not a United States person, information returns may be filed with the IRS in connection with the proceeds from a sale or other disposition of the notes and the Non-U.S. Holder may be subject to U.S. backup withholding on payments on the notes or on the proceeds from a sale or other disposition of the notes. Compliance with the certification procedures required to claim the exemption from withholding tax on interest described above will satisfy the certification requirements necessary to avoid backup withholding as well. Backup withholding is not an additional tax. The amount of any backup withholding from a payment to a Non-U.S. Holder will be allowed as a credit against the Non-U.S. Holder s U.S. federal income tax liability and may entitle the Non-U.S. Holder to a refund, provided that the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

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#### UNDERWRITING

Under the terms and subject to the conditions in the underwriting agreement dated the date of this prospectus supplement, we have agreed to sell to each of the underwriters named below, and each of the underwriters has severally agreed to purchase, the principal amount of the notes set forth opposite its name below:

Underwriter	Principal Amount of Notes		
Barclays Capital Inc. BNP Paribas Securities Corp. J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. Citigroup Global Markets Inc. Mizuho Securities USA Inc. Nikko Bank (Luxembourg) S.A. PNC Capital Markets LLC	\$ 100,000,000 100,000,000 100,000,000 20,000,000 20,000,000 20,000,00		
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC Total	\$ 400,000,000		

Under the terms and conditions of the underwriting agreement, the underwriters must buy all of the notes if they buy any of them.

The notes are a new issue of securities with no established trading market and will not be listed on any national securities exchange. The underwriters have advised us that they intend to make a market for the notes, but they have no obligation to do so and may discontinue market making at any time without providing any notice. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of any trading market for the notes.

The underwriters initially propose to offer the notes directly to the public at the offering price described on the cover page of this prospectus supplement and may offer the notes to certain dealers at a price that represents a concession not in excess of 0.375% of the principal amount of the notes. Any underwriter may allow, and any such dealer may reallow, a concession not in excess of 0.250% of the principal amount of the notes to certain other dealers. After the initial offering of the notes, the underwriters may from time to time vary the offering price and other selling terms.

We have also agreed to indemnify the underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or to contribute to payments which the underwriters may be required to make in respect of any such liabilities.

In connection with the offering, the underwriters may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the price of the notes. Specifically, the underwriters may overallot in connection with this offering, creating a syndicate short position. In addition, the underwriters may bid for and purchase notes in the open market to cover syndicate short positions or to stabilize the price of the notes. Finally, the underwriting syndicate may reclaim selling concessions allowed for distributing the notes in this offering, if the syndicate repurchases previously distributed notes in syndicate covering transactions, stabilization transactions or otherwise. Any of these activities may stabilize or maintain the market price of the notes above independent market levels. The underwriters are not required to engage in any of these activities,

and may end any of them at any time.

Expenses associated with this offering, to be paid by us, are estimated to be \$0.5 million.

Certain of the underwriters and their affiliates have engaged, and may in the future engage, in banking, financial advisory and other commercial dealings with us and our affiliates, for which they have earned and may earn customary fees.

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#### LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the notes will be passed upon for us by Mark Migliaccio, our Senior Corporate Counsel, as to New Jersey law, and by Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, New York, New York, as to New York law. Mr. Migliaccio beneficially owns or has rights to acquire an aggregate of less than 1% of the outstanding shares of our common stock. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the underwriters by White & Case LLP, New York, New York.

### **EXPERTS**

The financial statements and management s assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting (which is included in Management s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting) incorporated in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus by reference to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Campbell Soup Company for the fiscal year ended August 2, 2009, have been so incorporated in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

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## **DEBT SECURITIES**

From time to time, we may sell debt securities consisting of debentures, notes or other unsecured evidences of indebtedness on terms we will determine at the times we sell the debt securities. When we decide to sell a particular series of debt securities, we will prepare and deliver a supplement to this prospectus describing the particular terms of the debt securities we are offering. You should read this prospectus and any supplement carefully before you invest.

Investing in these securities involves risks. See Item 1A. Risk Factors in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and our most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

We may sell the debt securities directly, through agents, through underwriters or dealers, or through a combination of such methods. If we elect to use agents, underwriters or dealers in any offering of debt securities, we will disclose their names and the nature of our arrangements with them in the prospectus supplement we prepare for such offering.

The date of this prospectus is November 24, 2008.

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