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Registration No. 333-145733

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Post-Effective Amendment No. 1
to
FORM S-3
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

#### ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND COMPANY

(Exact name of the Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 41-0129150

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

4666 Faries Parkway, Box 1470 Decatur, Illinois 62525 (217) 424-5200

(Address and telephone number of the Registrant s principal executive offices)

David J. Smith

Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel Archer-Daniels-Midland Company 4666 Faries Parkway, Box 1470 Decatur, Illinois 62525 (217) 424-5200

(Name, address and telephone number of agent for service) *Copies to:* 

Steven C. Kennedy W. Morgan Burns Faegre & Benson LLP 2200 Wells Fargo Center 90 South Seventh Street Edward S. Best Mayer Brown LLP 71 South Wacker Drive Chicago, Illinois 60606

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-3901

#### Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: Not Applicable.

If the only securities being registered on this form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. o

If any of the securities being registered on this form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. o

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. o\_\_\_\_\_\_

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#### REMOVAL OF SECURITIES FROM REGISTRATION

We previously registered for resale, under a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-145733), \$1,150,000,000 of our 0.875% Convertible Senior Notes due 2014 and 26,259,445 shares of our Common Stock (collectively, the Securities ) to be offered by the selling securityholders named in the Registration Statement. By filing this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement, we hereby remove from registration all of the Securities that remain unsold under the Registration Statement as of the date hereof. The Registration Statement is hereby amended, as appropriate, to reflect the removal from registration of such Securities.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this post-effective amendment to the registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Decatur, State of Illinois, on April 16, 2009.

### ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND **COMPANY**

By /s/ David J. Smith David J. Smith Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this post-effective amendment to the registration statement has been signed on April 16, 2009 by the following persons in the capacities indicated:

Patricia A. Woertz\* Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and

President

(Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ Steven R. Mills Executive Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Steven R. Mills

/s/ John Stott Vice President and Controller

(Principal Accounting Officer)

John Stott

Mollie Hale Carter,\* Director

Antonio Maciel Neto,\* Director Patrick J. Moore,\* Director M. Brian Mulroney,\* Director Thomas F. O Neill.\* Director Kelvin R. Westbrook,\* Director

David J. Smith, by signing his name hereto. does hereby sign this document on behalf of each of the above named officers and directors of the Registrant pursuant to

powers of

(a majority of the directors)

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attorney duly executed by such persons.

/s/ David J. Smith David J. Smith Attorney-in-fact