#### SMITHFIELD FOODS INC

Form 8-K

February 10, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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): February 10, 2011

#### SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia 1-15321 52-0845861 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission File (IRS Employer of incorporation) Number) Identification No.)

200 Commerce Street 23430

Smithfield, Virginia

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (757) 365-3000

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 8.01 Other Events.

On February 10, 2011, Smithfield Foods, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the expiration and final results of the Company's previously announced offer to purchase for cash the maximum aggregate principal amount of its 7.75% Senior Unsecured Notes due 2013 and 10% Senior Secured Notes due 2014 that it can purchase for \$450.0 million (excluding accrued and unpaid interest).

The foregoing is qualified by reference to the press release that is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release, dated February 10, 2011

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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.

SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.

Date: February 10, 2011 /s/ Michael H. Cole

Michael H. Cole

Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and

Secretary

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## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release, dated February 10, 2011

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