DOLE FOOD CO INC Form 8-K October 29, 2009

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of Report: October 28, 2009 DOLE FOOD COMPANY, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 1-4455 99-0035300

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

One Dole Drive Westlake Village, California 91362

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (818) 879-6600

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).
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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))

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Section 5. Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

On October 28, 2009, Dole Food Company, Inc. amended and restated its certificate of incorporation and its bylaws in connection with the initial public offering of its common stock, which closed on October 28, 2009. The amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws are Exhibits 3.1 and 3.2 to this Form 8-K, respectively. The form of the amended and restated certificate of incorporation was previously filed as Exhibit 3.1(ii) to Amendment No. 5 to Dole s Registration Statement on Form S-1, Registration Number 333-161345, such Amendment No. 5 having been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 20, 2009. The form of the amended and restated bylaws was previously filed as Exhibit 3.2(ii) to Amendment No. 1 to Dole s Registration Statement on Form S-1, Registration Number 333-161345, such Amendment No. 1 having been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 18, 2009.

Section 8. Other Events

Item 8.01. Other Events

On October 26, 2009, Dole completed the previously disclosed redemption of all the outstanding \$363 million principal amount of its 7.25% Senior Notes due 2010.

On October 28, 2009, Dole issued to the trustee under the indenture governing Dole s 13.875% Senior Secured Notes due 2014 a notice of redemption for \$122,466,000 principal amount of such notes, with redemption to occur on November 27, 2009, using net proceeds of Dole s initial public offering of its common stock, which closed on October 28, 2009. Upon completion of this redemption, \$227,437,000 principal amount of the 13.875% Senior Secured Notes due 2014 will remain outstanding.

On October 29, 2009, Dole issued to the trustee under the indenture governing Dole s 8.875% Senior Notes due 2011 a notice of redemption for \$130,000,000 principal amount of such notes, with redemption to occur on November 30, 2009, using net proceeds of Dole s initial public offering of its common stock, which closed on October 28, 2009. Upon completion of this redemption, \$70,000,000 million principal amount of the 8.875% Senior Notes due 2011 will remain outstanding.

Section 9. Financial Statement and Exhibits Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits:
- 3.1 Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Dole Food Company, Inc., effective October 28, 2009.
- 3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of Dole Food Company, Inc., effective October 28, 2009.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

October 29, 2009 **Dole Food Company, Inc.**

Registrant

By: /s/ C. MICHAEL CARTER

C. Michael Carter

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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Exhibit Number	Description
3.1*	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Dole Food Company, Inc., effective October 28, 2009.
3.2*	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Dole Food Company, Inc., effective October 28, 2009.

* Filed herewith