GENERAL MILLS INC Form 8-A12B November 21, 2013

#### **UNITED STATES**

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-A

# FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

GENERAL MILLS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State of incorporation

41-0274440 (I.R.S. Employer

or organization)

**Identification No.)** 

**Number One General Mills Boulevard** 

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55426

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

## Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class

Name of each exchange on which

to be so registered 2.100% Notes due 2020

each class is to be registered New York Stock Exchange LLC

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), check the following box. x

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box.

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates: 333-179621

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

(Title of Class)

## INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT

General Mills, Inc. (the Company ) has filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission ) pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, a prospectus supplement dated November 7, 2013 (the Prospectus Supplement ) to a Prospectus dated February 22, 2012 (the Prospectus ), contained in the Company s effective Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-179621), which Registration Statement was filed with the Commission on February 22, 2012, relating to the securities to be registered hereunder. The Company incorporates by reference the Prospectus and the Prospectus Supplement to the extent set forth below.

# Item 1. Description of Registrant s Securities to be Registered.

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to the information contained in the sections captioned Description of the Notes in the Prospectus Supplement and Description of Debt Securities in the Prospectus.

#### Item 2. Exhibits.

- 4.1 Indenture, dated as of February 1, 1996, between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association (f/k/a First Trust of Illinois, National Association) (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Registrant s Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed February 6, 1996 (File no. 333-00745)).
- 4.2 First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of May 18, 2009, between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to Registrant s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2009).
- 4.3 Officers Certificate and Authentication Order, dated November 15, 2013, for the 2.100% Notes due 2020 issued pursuant to the Indenture (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Registrant s Current Report on Form 8-K filed November 14, 2013).

#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: November 21, 2013

GENERAL MILLS, INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Chris A. Rauschl Name: Chris A. Rauschl

Title: Senior Counsel and Assistant Secretary