

PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT TO PROSPECTUS DATED MAY 11, 1995

\$100,000,000

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MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES C
DUE FROM 9 MONTHS TO 30 YEARS FROM DATE OF ISSUE

Avery Dennison Corporation (the "Company") may offer from time to time its Medium -Term Notes, Series C, due from 9 months to 30 years from the date of issue (the "Notes"), as selected by the purchaser and agreed to by the Company, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$100,000,000 or its equivalent in another currency or composite currency.

The Notes may be denominated in U.S. dollars or in such foreign currencies or composite currencies as may be designated by the Company at the time of offering. The specific currency or composite currency, issue price and maturity date of any Note, as well as certain federal income tax considerations, will be set forth in a Pricing Supplement to this Prospectus Supplement. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, Notes denominated in other than U.S. dollars or ECUs (as defined herein) will not be sold in, or to residents of, the country issuing the Specified Currency. See "Description of Notes".

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, the Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate or rates (a "Fixed Rate Note") or at a floating rate (a "Floating Rate Note") determined by reference to the Commercial Paper Rate, the Prime Rate, LIBOR, the Treasury Rate, the CD Rate, the Federal Funds Rate or such other interest rate formula as set forth in the applicable Pricing Supplement, as adjusted by the Spread or Spread Multiplier, if any, applicable to such Notes. Interest rates and interest rate formulas are subject to change by the Company, but no such change will affect any Notes already issued or as to which an offer to purchase has been accepted by the Company. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, interest on the Fixed Rate Notes will be payable on each July 15 and January 15 and at maturity. Interest on the Floating Rate Notes will be payable on the dates specified therein and in the applicable Pricing Supplement.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, the Notes will not be subject to any sinking fund. Unless a Redemption Commencement Date or a Repayment Commencement Date is specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, the Notes will not be redeemable or repayable prior to their Stated Maturity. If a Redemption Commencement Date or a Repayment Commencement Date is so specified, the Notes will be redeemable at the option of the Company, or repayable at the option of the holder, or both (as specified therein) at any time on or after such date as described herein.

The Notes offered hereby will be issued in global or definitive form in a minimum denomination of \$100,000 or the approximate equivalent thereof in the Specified Currency, as specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement. A global Note representing Book-Entry Notes will be registered in the name of the nominee of The Depository Trust Company, which will act as depository (the "Depository"). Interests in Book-Entry Notes will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository (with respect to participants' interests) and its participants. Except as described herein under "Description of Notes -- Book-Entry System," owners of beneficial interests in a global Note will not be entitled to receive physical delivery of Notes in definitive form, and no global Note will be exchangeable except for another global Note of like denomination and terms to be registered in the name of the Depository or its nominee. See "Description of Notes".

THESE NOTES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION NOR HAS THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT,

ANY PRICING SUPPLEMENT HERETO OR THE PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

	PRICE TO PUBLIC (1)	AGENTS' COMMISSIONS (2)	PROCEEDS TO COMPANY (2) (3)
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Per Note.....	100%	.125% - .750%	99.875% - 99.250%
Total (4).....	\$100,000,000	\$125,000 - \$750,000	\$99,875,000 - \$99,250,000

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- (1) Notes will be issued at 100% of their principal amount, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement.
- (2) The Company will pay the Agents a commission of from .125% to .750%, depending on maturity, of the principal amount of any Notes sold through them as Agents. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, any Note sold to an Agent as principal will be purchased by such Agent at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof less a percentage equal to the commission applicable to an agency sale of a Note of identical maturity, and may be resold by such Agent. The Company has agreed to indemnify the Agents against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- (3) Before deducting estimated expenses of \$255,000 payable by the Company.
- (4) Or the equivalent thereof in foreign currencies or currency units.

Offers to purchase Notes are being solicited, on a best efforts basis, from time to time by the Agents on behalf of the Company. Notes may be sold to the Agents on their own behalf at negotiated discounts. The Company reserves the right to sell Notes directly on its own behalf. The Company also reserves the right to withdraw, cancel or modify the offering contemplated hereby without notice. No termination date for the offering of the Notes has been established. The Company or the Agents may reject any order as a whole or in part. See "Supplemental Plan of Distribution".

GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO.

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES INC.

The date of this Prospectus Supplement is May 12, 1995.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE NOTES, THE AGENTS MAY EFFECT TRANSACTIONS IN THE NOTES WITH A VIEW TO STABILIZING OR MAINTAINING THE MARKET PRICES OF THE NOTES AT LEVELS OTHER THAN THOSE WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH TRANSACTIONS MAY BE EFFECTED IN ANY OVER-THE-COUNTER MARKET OR OTHERWISE AND, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

USE OF PROCEEDS

The Company intends to use the net proceeds from the sales of the Notes to reduce domestic variable-rate short-term borrowings, some of which are classified as long-term debt, to reduce or retire from time to time other indebtedness and for other general corporate purposes.

DESCRIPTION OF NOTES

GENERAL

The following description of the particular terms of the Notes offered hereby supplements, and to the extent inconsistent therewith replaces, the description of the general terms and provisions of Debt Securities set forth in the accompanying Prospectus, to which description reference is hereby made. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings set forth in

the accompanying Prospectus.

The Notes constitute a single series for purposes of the Indenture and are limited in amount as set forth on the cover page hereof. The foregoing limit, however, may be increased by the Company if in the future it determines that it may wish to sell additional Notes. For a description of the rights attaching to different series of Debt Securities under the Indenture, see "Description of Debt Securities" in the Prospectus.

Unless previously redeemed, a Note will mature on the date ("Stated Maturity") from 9 months to 30 years from its date of issue that is specified on the face thereof and in the applicable Pricing Supplement or, if such Note is a Floating Rate Note (as defined below) and such specified date is not a Market Day with respect to such Note, the next succeeding Market Day (or, in the case of a LIBOR Note (as defined below), if such next succeeding Market Day falls in the next calendar month, the next preceding Market Day). As used herein, the term "Market Day" means (a) with respect to any Note (other than any LIBOR Note), any Business Day, and (b) with respect to any LIBOR Note, any such day on which dealings in deposits in U.S. dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. The term "Business Day" means each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, which is (i) not a day on which banking institutions generally are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close in the Place of Payment (as defined in the Indenture), and (ii) if the Note is denominated in a Specified Currency (as defined below) other than U.S. dollars, not a day on which banking institutions are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close in the financial center of the country issuing the Specified Currency (which in the case of European Currency Units ("ECUs") shall be Brussels, in which case "Business Day" shall not include any day that is a non-ECU clearing day as determined by the ECU Banking Association in Paris).

Each Note will be denominated in a currency or composite currency ("Specified Currency") as specified on the face thereof and in the applicable Pricing Supplement, which may include U.S. dollars or any other currency or composite currency set forth in the applicable Pricing Supplement. Purchasers of the Notes are required to pay for them by delivery of the requisite amount of the Specified Currency to an Agent (as defined herein), unless other arrangements have been made. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, payments on the Notes will be made in the applicable

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Specified Currency; provided that, at the election of the holder thereof and in certain circumstances at the option of the Company, payments on Notes denominated in other than U.S. dollars may be made in U.S. dollars. See "Payment of Principal and Interest".

Each Note will be represented by either a global security (a "Global Security") registered in the name of a nominee of the Depositary (each such Note represented by a Global Security being herein referred to as a "Book-Entry Note") or a certificate issued in definitive registered form, without coupons (a "Certificated Note"), as set forth in the applicable Pricing Supplement. Except as set forth under "Book-Entry System" below, Book-Entry Notes will not be issuable in certificated form. So long as the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, is the registered owner of any Global Security, the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the Book-Entry Note or Notes represented by such Global Security for all purposes under the Indenture and the Book-Entry Notes except as otherwise noted therein. The Company understands, however, that under existing industry practice, the Depositary will authorize the persons on whose behalf it holds a Global Security to exercise certain rights of holders of Notes, and the Indenture provides that the Company, the Trustee and their respective agents will treat as the holder of a Note the persons specified in a written statement of the Depositary with respect to such Global Security for purposes of obtaining any consents or directions required to be given by holders of the Notes pursuant to the Indenture. It is currently contemplated that only Notes that have a Specified

Currency of U.S. dollars will be issued as Book-Entry Notes. See "Book-Entry System" below.

The authorized denominations of any Note denominated in U.S. dollars will be \$100,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. The authorized denominations of any Note denominated in other than U.S. dollars will be the amount of the Specified Currency for such Note equivalent, at the noon buying rate for cable transfers in The City of New York for such Specified Currency (the "Exchange Rate") on the first Business Day next preceding the date on which the Company accepts the offer to purchase such Note, to U.S. \$100,000 (rounded down to an integral multiple of 10,000 units of such Specified Currency) and any greater amount that is an integral multiple of 10,000 units of such Specified Currency.

Notes will be sold in individual issues of Notes having such interest rate or interest rate formula, if any, Stated Maturity and date of original issuance as shall be specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement. Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Pricing Supplement, each Note will bear interest at either (i) a fixed rate (a "Fixed Rate Note") or (ii) a floating rate (a "Floating Rate Note") determined by reference to the interest rate formula, which may be adjusted by adding or subtracting the Spread or multiplying by the Spread Multiplier (each term as defined below).

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, the Notes will not be subject to any sinking fund, and will not be redeemable at the option of the Company, or repayable at the option of the holders of such Notes, prior to their Stated Maturity. If the applicable Pricing Supplement specifies a date on or after which a Note will be redeemable at the option of the Company (a "Redemption Commencement Date") or a date on or after which a Note will be repayable at the option of the holder of such Note (a "Repayment Commencement Date"), the applicable Pricing Supplement will also specify an initial redemption price (a "Redemption Price") or an initial repayment price (a "Repayment Price") (in each case expressed as a percentage of the principal amount of such Note), and an amount by which the initial Redemption Price or the initial Repayment Price will be reduced on each anniversary of the Redemption Commencement Date or Repayment Commencement Date, as the case may be; provided that the Redemption Price or Repayment Price shall not be less than 100% of the principal amount of the Note. Upon any such repurchase or redemption of any Note by the Company, the Company will pay any accrued interest on such Note to the redemption or repayment date. With respect to the redemption of Global Securities, the Depositary advises that if less than all of the Notes with like tenor and terms are to be redeemed, the particular interests (in integral multiples of \$1,000) in the Book-Entry Notes representing the Notes to be redeemed shall be selected by the Depositary's impartial lottery procedures.

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The Pricing Supplement relating to each Note will describe the following terms: (i) the Specified Currency with respect to such Note (and, if such Specified Currency is other than U.S. dollars, certain other terms relating to such Note, including the authorized denominations and certain federal income tax considerations); (ii) the price (expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount thereof) at which such Note will be issued; (iii) the date on which such Note will be issued; (iv) the date on which such Note will mature; (v) whether such Note is a Fixed Rate or a Floating Rate Note; (vi) if such Note is a Fixed Rate Note, the rate per annum at which such Note will bear interest and the interest payment date or dates, if different from those set forth below under "Fixed Rate Notes"; (vii) if such Note is a Floating Rate Note, the interest rate basis (the "Interest Rate Basis") for each such Floating Rate Note which will be (a) the Commercial Paper Rate (as defined below), in which case such Note will be a Commercial Paper Rate Note, (b) the Prime Rate (as defined below), in which case such Note will be a Prime Rate Note, (c) the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), in which case such Note will be a LIBOR Note, (d) the Treasury Rate (as defined below), in which case such Note will be a Treasury Rate Note, (e) the CD Rate (as defined below), in which case such Note will be a CD Rate Note, (f) the Federal Funds Rate (as

defined below), in which case such Note will be a Federal Funds Rate Note, or (g) such other interest rate formula as is set forth in such Pricing Supplement, and, if applicable, the Calculation Agent, the Index Maturity, the Spread or Spread Multiplier, the Maximum Rate, the Minimum Rate, the Initial Interest Rate, the Interest Payment Dates, the Regular Record Dates, the Calculation Date, the Interest Determination Dates, the Interest Reset Dates and the Interest Rate Reset Period (each term as defined below) with respect to such Floating Rate Note; (viii) whether such Note is subject to a sinking fund, or may be redeemed at the option of the Company, or repaid at the option of the holder, prior to the Stated Maturity and, if so, the provisions relating to such sinking fund, redemption or repayment; (ix) whether such Note will be issued initially as a Book-Entry or a Certificated Note; and (x) any other terms of such Note not inconsistent with the provisions of the Indenture.

Certificated Notes may be presented for registration of transfer or exchange at the corporate trust office of the Trustee in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York.

FIXED RATE NOTES

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, each Fixed Rate Note will bear interest from its date of issue or from the most recent Interest Payment Date (as defined below) to which interest on such Note has been paid or duly provided for at the fixed rate per annum stated on the face thereof and in the applicable Pricing Supplement until the principal thereof is paid or made available for payment. Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Pricing Supplement, interest on such Fixed Rate Note will be payable semiannually each July 15 and January 15 (each, with respect to a Fixed Rate Note, an "Interest Payment Date") and at Stated Maturity or upon earlier redemption or repayment ("Maturity"). Each payment of interest in respect of an Interest Payment Date will include interest accrued to but excluding such Interest Payment Date. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, interest on Fixed Rate Notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. Interest will be payable on each Interest Payment Date and at Maturity as specified below under "Payment of Principal and Interest".

FLOATING RATE NOTES

Each Floating Rate Note will bear interest from its date of issue or from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest on such Note has been paid or duly provided for, or if the applicable Interest Reset Period (as defined below) is weekly, from the day following the date of issue or the most recent Regular Record Date, at the rate per annum determined pursuant to the interest rate formula stated therein and in the applicable Pricing Supplement until the principal thereof is paid or made available for payment. Interest will be payable on each Interest Payment Date (as defined under

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"Payment of Principal and Interest" with respect to Floating Rate Notes) and at Maturity as specified below under "Payment of Principal and Interest".

The interest rate for each Floating Rate Note will be determined by reference to an Interest Rate Basis which may be adjusted by adding or subtracting the Spread or multiplying by the Spread Multiplier (both terms as defined below). A Floating Rate Note may also have either or both of the following: (a) a maximum numerical interest rate limitation, or ceiling, on the rate of interest which may accrue during any interest period (a "Maximum Rate"); and (b) a minimum numerical interest rate limitation, or floor, on the rate of interest which may accrue during any interest period (a "Minimum Rate"). The "Spread" is the number of basis points specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement as being applicable to the interest rate for such Note, and the "Spread Multiplier" is the percentage specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement as being applicable to the interest rate for such Note. "Index Maturity" means, with respect to a Floating Rate Note, the period to maturity of the instrument or obligation on which the interest rate formula is based, as specified in the

applicable Pricing Supplement. Unless otherwise provided in the applicable Pricing Supplement, the Trustee will be the calculation agent (the "Calculation Agent") with respect to the Floating Rate Notes.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, the rate of interest on each Floating Rate Note will be reset daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually (each an "Interest Reset Period"), as specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, the date on which the rate of interest on a Floating Rate Note resets (each an "Interest Reset Date") will be, in the case of Floating Rate Notes which reset daily, each Market Day; in the case of Floating Rate Notes (other than Treasury Rate Notes) which reset weekly, the Wednesday of each week; in the case of Treasury Rate Notes which reset weekly, the Tuesday of each week (except as provided below); in the case of Floating Rate Notes which reset monthly, the third Wednesday of each month; in the case of Floating Rate Notes which reset quarterly, the third Wednesday of March, June, September and December; in the case of Floating Rate Notes which reset semi-annually, the third Wednesday of two months of each year as specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement; and in the case of Floating Rate Notes which reset annually, the third Wednesday of one month of each year as specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement; provided, however, that, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, (a) the interest rate in effect from the date of issue to the first Interest Reset Date with respect to a Floating Rate Note will be the initial interest rate as set forth in the applicable Pricing Supplement (the "Initial Interest Rate") and (b) with respect to Floating Rate Notes that reset daily or weekly, the interest rate in effect for each day following the second Market Day prior to an Interest Payment Date to, but excluding, such Interest Payment Date, and for each day following the second Market Day prior to Maturity, shall be the rate in effect on such second Market Day. If any Interest Reset Date for any Floating Rate Note would otherwise be a day that is not a Market Day with respect to such Floating Rate Note, the Interest Reset Date for such Floating Rate Note shall be postponed to the next day that is a Market Day with respect to such Floating Rate Note, except that in the case of a LIBOR Note, if such Market Day is in the next succeeding calendar month, such Interest Reset Date shall be the immediately preceding Market Day.

The Interest Determination Date pertaining to an Interest Reset Date for a Commercial Paper Rate Note (the "Commercial Paper Interest Determination Date"), for a Prime Rate Note (the "Prime Rate Interest Determination Date"), for a CD Rate Note (the "CD Rate Interest Determination Date") and for a Federal Funds Rate Note (the "Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date") will be the Interest Reset Date. The Interest Determination Date pertaining to an Interest Reset Date for a LIBOR Note (the "Libor Interest Determination Date") will be the second Market Day preceding such Interest Reset Date. The Interest Determination Date pertaining to an Interest Reset Date for a Treasury Rate Note (the "Treasury Interest Determination Date") will be the day of the week in which such Interest Reset Date falls on which Treasury bills would normally be auctioned. Treasury bills are usually sold at auction on the Monday of each week, unless that day is a legal holiday, in which case the auction is usually

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held on the following Tuesday, except that such auction may be held on the preceding Friday. If, as the result of a legal holiday, an auction is so held on the preceding Friday, such Friday will be the Treasury Interest Determination Date pertaining to the Interest Reset Date occurring in the next succeeding week, and the Interest Reset Date in such next succeeding week will be the Monday in such week. If an auction date shall fall on any Interest Reset Date for a Treasury Rate Note, then such Interest Reset Date shall instead be the first Market Day immediately following such auction date. The Interest Determination Date for any other Floating Rate Note will be as specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, the "Calculation Date" pertaining to any Interest Determination Date will be the

earlier of (i) the tenth calendar day after such Interest Determination Date or, if such day is not a Market Day, the next succeeding Market Day or (ii) the Market Day immediately preceding the applicable Interest Payment Date or Maturity, as the case may be.

All percentages resulting from any calculations referred to in this Prospectus Supplement will be rounded, if necessary, to the next higher one hundred-thousandth of a percentage point (e.g., 9.876541% (or .09876541) being rounded to 9.87655% (or .0987655)), and all U.S. dollar amounts used in or resulting from such calculations will be rounded to the nearest cent (with one-half cent or more being rounded upwards).

Upon the request of the holder of any Floating Rate Note, the Calculation Agent will provide the interest rate then in effect, and, if determined, the interest rate which will become effective on the next Interest Reset Date with respect to such Floating Rate Note. The Calculation Agent's determination of any interest rate will be final and binding in the absence of manifest error.

Commercial Paper Rate Notes

Commercial Paper Rate Notes will bear interest at the interest rates (calculated with reference to the Commercial Paper Rate and the Spread or Spread Multiplier, if any), and will be payable on the dates, specified on the face of the Commercial Paper Rate Note and in the applicable Pricing Supplement.

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Pricing Supplement, "Commercial Paper Rate" means, with respect to any Interest Reset Date, the Money Market Yield (calculated as described below) of the per annum rate for the relevant Commercial Paper Interest Determination Date for commercial paper having the specified Index Maturity as such rate is published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in "Statistical Release H.15(519), Selected Interest Rates" or any successor publication of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System ("H.15(519)") under the heading "Commercial Paper". In the event that such rate is not published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the relevant Calculation Date, then the Commercial Paper Rate with respect to such Interest Reset Date shall be the Money Market Yield on such Commercial Paper Interest Determination Date for commercial paper having the specified Index Maturity as published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in its daily statistical release, "Composite 3:30 P.M. Quotations for U.S. Government Securities", or any successor publication by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York ("Composite Quotations") under the heading "Commercial Paper" (with an Index Maturity of one month or three months being deemed to be equivalent to an Index Maturity of 30 days or 90 days, respectively). If by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on such Calculation Date such rate is not yet published in either H.15(519) or Composite Quotations, the Commercial Paper Rate with respect to such Interest Reset Date shall be calculated by the Calculation Agent and shall be the Money Market Yield of the arithmetic mean of the offered per annum rates, as of 11:00 A.M., New York City time, on such Commercial Paper Interest Determination Date, of three leading dealers of U.S. dollar commercial paper in The City of New York selected by the Calculation Agent for U.S. dollar commercial paper having the specified Index Maturity placed for an industrial issuer whose bond rating

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is "AA", or the equivalent, from a nationally recognized rating agency; provided, however, that if fewer than three dealers selected as aforesaid by the Calculation Agent are quoting as mentioned in this sentence, the Commercial Paper Rate with respect to such Interest Reset Date will be the Commercial Paper Rate in effect on the day prior to such Commercial Paper Interest Determination Date (or, if the Initial Interest Rate is then in effect, the Commercial Paper Rate will be the Initial Interest Rate and will not be adjusted by any Spread or Spread Multiplier).

"Money Market Yield" shall be a yield (expressed as a percentage) calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$360 \times D$$

$$\text{Money Market Yield} = 100 \times 360 - (D \times M)$$

where "D" refers to the per annum rate for commercial paper, quoted on a bank discount basis and expressed as a decimal; and "M" refers to, if the Index Maturity approximately corresponds to the length of the period for which such rate is being determined, the actual number of days in such period and, otherwise, the actual number of days in the period from, and including, the Interest Reset Date to, but excluding, the day that numerically corresponds to such Interest Reset Date (or, if there is not any such numerically corresponding day, the last day) in the calendar month that is the number of months corresponding to the specified Index Maturity after the month in which such Interest Reset Date occurs.

Prime Rate Notes

Prime Rate Notes will bear interest at the interest rates (calculated with reference to the Prime Rate and the Spread or Spread Multiplier, if any), and will be payable on the dates specified on the face of the Prime Rate Note and in the applicable Pricing Supplement.

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Pricing Supplement, "Prime Rate" means, with respect to any Interest Reset Date, the rate set forth for the relevant Prime Rate Interest Determination Date in H.15(519) under the heading "Bank Prime Loan". In the event that such rate is not published prior to 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the relevant Calculation Date, then the Prime Rate with respect to such Interest Reset Date will be determined by the Calculation Agent and will be the arithmetic mean of the rates of interest publicly announced by each bank that appears on the display designated as page "NYMF" on the Reuters Monitor Money Rates Service (or such other page as may replace the NYMF page on that service for the purpose of displaying prime rates or base lending rates of major United States banks) ("Reuters Screen NYMF Page") as such bank's prime rate or base lending rate as in effect for such Prime Rate Interest Determination Date. If fewer than four such rates appear on the Reuters Screen NYMF Page on such Prime Rate Interest Determination Date, the Prime Rate will be determined by the Calculation Agent and will be the arithmetic mean of the prime rates or base lending rates (quoted on the basis of the actual number of days in the year divided by a 360-day year) as of the close of business on such Prime Rate Interest Determination Date of three major banks in The City of New York selected by the Calculation Agent; provided, however, that if fewer than three banks selected as aforesaid by the Calculation Agent are quoting as mentioned in this sentence, the Prime Rate with respect to such Interest Reset Date will be the Prime Rate in effect on the day prior to such Prime Rate Interest Determination Date (or, if the Initial Interest Rate is then in effect, the Prime Rate will be the Initial Interest Rate and will not be adjusted by any Spread or Spread Multiplier).

LIBOR Notes

LIBOR Notes will bear interest at the interest rates (calculated with reference to LIBOR and the Spread or Spread Multiplier, if any), and will be payable on the dates specified on the face of the LIBOR Note and in the applicable Pricing Supplement.

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Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Pricing Supplement, LIBOR, with respect to any Interest Reset Date, will be determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following provisions:

- (i) On the relevant LIBOR Interest Determination Date, LIBOR will be, as specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, either (a) the arithmetic mean of the offered rates for deposits in U.S. dollars having the specified

Index Maturity, commencing on the second Market Day immediately following such LIBOR Interest Determination Date, that appears on the Reuters Screen LIBO Page as of 11:00 A.M., London time, on such LIBOR Interest Determination Date, if at least two such offered rates appear on the Reuters Screen LIBO Page ("LIBOR Reuters"), or (b) the offered rate for deposits in U.S. dollars having the specified Index Maturity, commencing on the second Market Day immediately following such LIBOR Interest Determination Date, that appears on the Telerate Page 3750 as of 11:00 A.M., London time, on such LIBOR Interest Determination Date ("LIBOR Telerate"). "Reuters Screen LIBO Page" means the display designated as page "LIBO" on the Reuters Monitor Money Rates Service (or such other page as may replace page LIBO on that service for the purpose of displaying London interbank offered rates of major banks). "Telerate Page 3750" means the display designated as "3750" on the Telerate Service (or such other page as may replace the 3750 page on that service for the purpose of displaying London interbank offered rates for U.S. dollar deposits). If neither LIBOR Reuters nor LIBOR Telerate is specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, LIBOR will be determined as if LIBOR Telerate had been specified. If fewer than two offered rates appear on the Reuters Screen LIBO Page, or if no rate appears on the Telerate Page 3750, as applicable, LIBOR in respect of such Interest Reset Date will be determined as if the parties had specified the rate described in (ii) below.

(ii) On any LIBOR Interest Determination Date on which fewer than two offered rates for the applicable Index Maturity appear on the Reuters Screen LIBO Page as specified in (i)(a) above or on which no rate for the applicable Index Maturity appears on the Telerate Page 3750, as specified in (i)(b) above, as applicable, LIBOR will be determined on the basis of the rates at which deposits in U.S. dollars are offered by four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (the "Reference Banks") at approximately 11:00 A.M., London time, on such LIBOR Interest Determination Date to prime banks in the London interbank market, having the specified Index Maturity, commencing on the second Market Day immediately following such LIBOR Interest Determination Date and in a principal amount equal to an amount that, in the Calculation Agent's judgment, is representative for a single transaction in such market at such time. The Calculation Agent will request the principal London office of each of such Reference Banks to provide a quotation of its rate. If at least two such quotations are provided, LIBOR in respect of such Interest Reset Date will be the arithmetic mean of such quotations. If fewer than two quotations are provided, LIBOR in respect of such Interest Reset Date will be the arithmetic mean of the rates quoted at approximately 11:00 A.M., New York City time, on such Interest Reset Date by three major banks in The City of New York selected by the Calculation Agent for loans in U.S. dollars to leading European banks, having the specified Index Maturity, such loans commencing on the Interest Reset Date and in a principal amount equal to an amount that, in the Calculation Agent's judgment, is representative for a single transaction in such market at such time; provided, however, that if the banks in The City of New York selected as aforesaid by the Calculation Agent are not quoting as mentioned in this sentence, LIBOR with respect to such Interest Reset Date will be LIBOR in effect on the day prior to such LIBOR Interest Determination Date (or, if the Initial Interest Rate is then in effect, LIBOR will be the Initial Interest Rate and will not be adjusted by any Spread or Spread Multiplier).

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Treasury Rate Notes

Treasury Rate Notes will bear interest at the interest rates (calculated with reference to the Treasury Rate and the Spread or Spread Multiplier, if any) and will be payable on the dates specified on the face of the Treasury Rate Note and in the applicable Pricing Supplement.

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Pricing Supplement, "Treasury Rate" means, with respect to any Interest Reset Date, the rate for the auction

on the relevant Treasury Interest Determination Date of direct obligations of the United States ("Treasury bills") having the specified Index Maturity as published in H.15(519) under the heading "U.S. Government Securities--Treasury Bills--Auction Average (Investment)" or, if not so published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the relevant Calculation Date, the Bond Equivalent Yield (as defined below) of the auction average rate for such auction as otherwise announced by the United States Department of the Treasury. In the event that the results of the auction of Treasury bills having the specified Index Maturity are not otherwise reported as provided above by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on such Calculation Date, or if no such auction is held in a particular week, then the Treasury Rate shall be the rate set forth in H.15(519) for the relevant Treasury Interest Determination Date for the specified Index Maturity under the heading "U.S. Government Securities/Treasury Bills/Secondary Market." In the event such rate is not published by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the relevant Calculation Date, then the Treasury Rate with respect to such Interest Reset Date shall be calculated by the Calculation Agent and shall be the Bond Equivalent Yield of the arithmetic mean of the secondary market bid rates, as of approximately 3:30 P.M., New York City time, on such Treasury Interest Determination Date, of three primary United States government securities dealers in The City of New York selected by the Calculation Agent for the issue of Treasury bills with a remaining maturity closest to the specified Index Maturity; provided, however, that if any of the dealers selected as aforesaid by the Calculation Agent are not quoting as mentioned in this sentence, the Treasury Rate with respect to such Interest Reset Date will be the Treasury Rate in effect on the day prior to such Treasury Interest Determination Date (or, if the Initial Interest Rate is then in effect, the Treasury Rate will be the Initial Interest Rate and will not be adjusted by any Spread or Spread Multiplier).

"Bond Equivalent Yield" shall be a yield (expressed as a percentage) calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Bond Equivalent Yield} = 100 \times \frac{D \times N}{360 - (D \times M)}$$

where "D" refers to the per annum rate for Treasury bills, quoted on a bank discount basis and expressed as a decimal; "N" refers to 365 or 366, as the case may be; and "M" refers to, if the Index Maturity approximately corresponds to the length of the period for which such rate is being determined, the actual number of days in such period and, otherwise, the actual number of days in the period from, and including, the Interest Reset Date to, but excluding, the day that numerically corresponds to that Interest Reset Date (or, if there is not any such numerically corresponding day, the last day) in the calendar month that is the number of months corresponding to the specified Index Maturity after the month in which that Interest Reset Date occurs.

CD Rate Notes

CD Rate Notes will bear interest at the interest rates (calculated with reference to the CD Rate and the Spread or Spread Multiplier, if any), and will be payable on the dates specified on the face of the CD Rate Note and in the applicable Pricing Supplement.

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Pricing Supplement, "CD Rate" means, with respect to any Interest Reset Date, the rate for the relevant CD Rate Interest Determination Date for negotiable certificates of deposit having the specified Index Maturity as published in H.15(519) under the heading "CDs (Secondary Market)". In the event that such rate is not published by 3:00 P.M., New York City

time, on the relevant Calculation Date, then the CD Rate shall be the rate on such CD Rate Interest Determination Date for negotiable certificates of deposit having the specified Index Maturity as published in Composite Quotations under the heading "Certificates of Deposit". If by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on such Calculation Date such rate is not published in either H.15(519) or Composite Quotations, the CD Rate shall be calculated by the Calculation Agent and shall be the arithmetic mean of the secondary market offered rates, as of 10:00 A.M., New York City time, on such CD Rate Interest Determination Date, of three leading nonbank dealers of negotiable U.S. dollar certificates of deposit in The City of New York selected by the Calculation Agent for negotiable U.S. dollar certificates of deposit of major United States money market banks with a remaining maturity closest to the specified Index Maturity in an amount that, in the Calculation Agent's judgment, is representative for a single transaction in such market at such time; provided, however, that if any of the dealers selected as aforesaid by the Calculation Agent are not quoting as mentioned in this sentence, the CD Rate with respect to such Interest Reset Date will be the CD Rate in effect on the day prior to such CD Rate Interest Determination Date (or, if the Initial Interest Rate is then in effect, the CD Rate will be the Initial Interest Rate and will not be adjusted by any Spread or Spread Multiplier).

CD Rate Notes, like other Notes, are not deposit obligations of a bank and are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Federal Funds Rate Notes

Federal Funds Rate Notes will bear interest at the interest rates (calculated with reference to the Federal Funds Rate and the Spread or Spread Multiplier, if any), and will be payable on the dates specified on the face of the Federal Funds Rate Note and in the applicable Pricing Supplement.

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Pricing Supplement, "Federal Funds Rate" means, with respect to any Interest Reset Date, the rate on the relevant Federal Funds Rate Interest Determination Date for Federal Funds as published in H.15(519) under the heading "Federal Funds (Effective)". In the event that such rate is not published prior to 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on the relevant Calculation Date, then the Federal Funds Rate will be the rate on such Federal Funds Interest Determination Date as published in Composite Quotations under the heading "Federal Funds/Effective Rate". If by 3:00 P.M., New York City time, on such Calculation Date such rate is not published in either H.15(519) or Composite Quotations, then the Federal Funds Rate for such Interest Reset Date shall be calculated by the Calculation Agent and shall be the arithmetic mean of such rates, as of 9:00 A.M., New York City time, on such Federal Funds Interest Determination Date, for the last transaction in overnight Federal Funds arranged by three leading brokers of U.S. dollar Federal Funds transactions in The City of New York selected by the Calculation Agent; provided, however, that if any of the brokers selected as aforesaid by the Calculation Agent are not quoting as mentioned in this sentence, the Federal Funds Rate with respect to such Interest Reset Date will be the Federal Funds Rate in effect on the day prior to such Federal Funds Interest Determination Date (or, if the Initial Interest Rate is then in effect, the Federal Funds Rate will be the Initial Interest Rate and will not be adjusted by any Spread or Spread Multiplier).

Foreign Currency and Index-Linked Notes

If any Note is not to be denominated in U.S. dollars, certain provisions with respect thereto will be set forth in a foreign currency Pricing Supplement which will indicate the Specified Currency in which the principal, premium, if any, and interest with respect to such Note are to be paid, along with any other terms relating to the Specified Currency. The Pricing Supplement also will specify specific historic exchange rate information, certain currency risks relating to the specific currencies selected, certain investment considerations and certain additional tax considerations.

Amounts due on a Note in respect of principal, premium, if any, and interest may be determined with reference to (a) a currency exchange rate or rates, (b) a securities or commodities exchange index,

(c) the value of a particular security or commodity or (d) any other index or indices (any such Note being herein referred to as an "Index-Linked Note"). The Pricing Supplement relating to an Index-Linked Note will set forth the method and terms on which the amount of principal payable at Maturity and interest, premium or the amortized face amount, if any, will be determined, the tax consequences to holders of Index-Linked Notes, a description of certain risks associated with investments in Index-Linked Notes and other information relating to such Index-Linked Notes.

PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST

Payments of principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on all Book-Entry Notes will be payable in accordance with the procedures of the Depositary and its Participants in effect from time to time as described under "Book-Entry System" below. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, payments of principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on all Fixed Rate Notes and Floating Rate Notes will be made in the applicable Specified Currency; provided, however, that payments of principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on Notes denominated in other than U.S. dollars will nevertheless be made in U.S. dollars (i) with respect to Certificated Notes, at the option of the holders thereof under the procedures described in the two following paragraphs and (ii) with respect to any Notes, at the option of the Company in the case of the imposition of exchange controls or other circumstances beyond the control of the Company as described in the last paragraph under this heading.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, and except as provided in the next paragraph, payments of interest and principal (and premium, if any) with respect to any Certificated Note denominated in other than U.S. dollars will be made in U.S. dollars if the registered holder of such Note on the relevant Regular Record Date (as defined below) or at Maturity, as the case may be, has transmitted a written request for such payment in U.S. dollars to the Trustee at its corporate trust office in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York on or prior to such Regular Record Date or the date 15 calendar days prior to Maturity, as the case may be. Such request may be in writing (mailed or hand delivered) or by cable or telex or, if promptly confirmed in writing, by other form of facsimile transmission. Any such request made with respect to any Certificated Note by a registered holder will remain in effect with respect to any further payments of interest and principal (and premium, if any) with respect to such Note payable to such holder, unless such request is revoked on or prior to the relevant Regular Record Date or the date 15 calendar days prior to Maturity, as the case may be. Holders of Certificated Notes denominated in other than U.S. dollars whose Notes are registered in the name of a broker or nominee should contact such broker or nominee to determine whether and how an election to receive payments in U.S. dollars may be made.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, the U.S. dollar amount to be received by a holder of a Note (including a Book-Entry Note) denominated in other than U.S. dollars who elects to receive payment in U.S. dollars will be based on the highest bid quotation in The City of New York received by the Exchange Rate Agent (as defined below) as of 11:00 A.M. New York City time on the second Business Day next preceding the applicable payment date from three recognized foreign exchange dealers (one of which may be the Exchange Rate Agent) for the purchase by the quoting dealer of the Specified Currency for U.S. dollars for settlement on such payment date in the aggregate amount of the Specified Currency payable to all holders of Notes electing to receive U.S. dollar payments and at which the applicable dealer commits to execute a contract. If three such bid quotations are not available on the second Business Day preceding the date of payment of principal (and premium, if any) or interest with respect to any Note, such payment will be made in the Specified Currency. All currency exchange costs associated with any payment in U.S. dollars on any such Note will be borne by the holder thereof by deductions from such payment. Unless otherwise provided in the applicable Pricing Supplement, the Trustee will be the exchange rate agent (the "Exchange Rate

Agent") with respect to the Notes.

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Interest will be payable to the person in whose name a Note is registered (which in the case of Global Securities representing Book-Entry Notes will be the Depositary or a nominee of the Depositary) at the close of business on the Regular Record Date next preceding each Interest Payment Date, which, with respect to Fixed Rate Notes, shall be the close of business on the July 1 or January 1 immediately preceding such Interest Payment Date or such other Regular Record Date specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, and with respect to Floating Rate Notes, shall be the close of business on the fifteenth calendar day prior to such Interest Payment Date (the "Regular Record Date"); provided, however, that interest payable at Maturity will be payable to the person to whom principal shall be payable (which in the case of Global Securities representing Book-Entry Notes will be the Depositary or a nominee of the Depositary). The first payment of interest on any Note originally issued between a Regular Record Date and an Interest Payment Date will be made on the Interest Payment Date following the next succeeding Regular Record Date to the registered owner on such next succeeding Regular Record Date.

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Pricing Supplement and except as provided below, interest will be payable, in the case of Floating Rate Notes which reset daily, on the dates specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement; in the case of Floating Rate Notes which reset weekly or monthly, on the third Wednesday of each month or on the third Wednesday of March, June, September and December of each year (as indicated in the applicable Pricing Supplement); in the case of Floating Rate Notes which reset quarterly, on the third Wednesday of March, June, September and December of each year; in the case of Floating Rate Notes which reset semi-annually, on the third Wednesday of the two months of each year specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement; and in the case of Floating Rate Notes which reset annually, on the third Wednesday of the month specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement (each an "Interest Payment Date"), and in each case, at Maturity. If an Interest Payment Date with respect to any Floating Rate Note would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Market Day with respect to such Note, such Interest Payment Date will be the next succeeding Market Day (or, in the case of a LIBOR Note, if such day falls in the next calendar month, the next preceding Market Day).

Payments of interest on any Fixed Rate Note or Floating Rate Note with respect to any Interest Payment Date will include interest accrued to but excluding such Interest Payment Date; provided, however, that if the Interest Reset Period with respect to any Floating Rate Note is daily or weekly, interest payable on such Note on any Interest Payment Date, other than interest payable on the date on which principal on such Note is payable, will include interest accrued through but excluding the day following the next preceding Regular Record Date.

With respect to a Floating Rate Note, accrued interest from the date of issue or from the last date to which interest has been paid is calculated by multiplying the face amount of such Floating Rate Note by an accrued interest factor. Such accrued interest factor is computed by adding the interest factor calculated for each day from the date of issue, or from the last date to which interest has been paid, to but excluding the date for which accrued interest is being calculated. The interest factor (expressed as a decimal) for each such day is computed by dividing the interest rate (expressed as a decimal) applicable to such date by 360, in the case of Commercial Paper Rate Notes, Prime Rate Notes, LIBOR Notes, CD Rate Notes or Federal Funds Rate Notes, or by the actual number of days in the year, in the case of Treasury Rate Notes. Interest on Fixed Rate Notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

Any payment on any Note due on any day which is not a Market Day, need not be made on such day, but may be made on the next succeeding Market Day (or, in the case of a LIBOR Note, if such day falls in the next calendar month, the next preceding Market Day) with the same force and effect as if made on the due

date, and no interest shall accrue for the period from and after such date.

Payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and any interest due with respect to any Certificated Note at Maturity to be made in U.S. dollars will be made in immediately available funds

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upon surrender of such Note at the corporate trust office of the Trustee in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, provided that the Certificated Note is presented to the Paying Agent (as defined in the Indenture) in time for the Paying Agent to make such payments in such funds in accordance with its normal procedures. Payments of interest with respect to Certificated Notes to be made in U.S. dollars other than at Maturity will be made by check mailed by first class mail to the address of the person entitled thereto as it appears in the Security Register (as defined in the Indenture). A holder may elect to receive such payments of interest by wire transfer of immediately available funds to a designated account maintained in the United States upon receipt by the Trustee of written instructions from such holder not later than the Regular Record Date for the related Interest Payment Date. Such instructions shall remain in effect with respect to payments of interest made to such holder on subsequent Interest Payment Dates unless revoked or changed by written instructions received by the Trustee from such holder, provided that any such written revocation or change which is received by the Trustee after a Regular Record Date and before the related Interest Payment Date shall not be effective with respect to the interest payable on such Interest Payment Date.

The total amount of any principal, premium, if any, and interest due on any Global Security representing one or more Book-Entry Notes on any Interest Payment Date or at Maturity will be made available to the Trustee on such date. As soon as possible thereafter, the Trustee will make such payments to the Depositary. The Depositary will allocate such payments to each Book-Entry Note represented by such Global Security and make payments to the owners or holders thereof in accordance with its existing operating procedures. Neither the Company nor the Trustee shall have any responsibility or liability for such payments by the Depositary. So long as the Depositary or its nominee is the registered owner of any Global Security, the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the Book-Entry Note or Notes represented by such Global Security for all purposes under the Indenture and the Book-Entry Notes except as otherwise noted therein. The Company understands, however, that under existing industry practice, the Depositary will authorize the persons on whose behalf it holds a Global Security to exercise certain rights of holders of Notes, and the Indenture provides that the Company, the Trustee and their respective agents will treat as the holder of a Note the persons specified in a written statement of the Depositary with respect to such Global Security for purposes of obtaining any consents or directions required to be given by holders of the Notes pursuant to the Indenture. See "Book-Entry System."

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, payments of interest and principal (and premium, if any) with respect to any Note to be made in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars will be made by wire transfer of immediately available funds to such account with a bank located in the country issuing the Specified Currency (or, with respect to Notes denominated in ECUs, to an ECU account) or other jurisdiction acceptable to the Company and the Trustee as shall have been designated at least five Business Days prior to the Interest Payment Date or Maturity, as the case may be, by the registered holder of such Note on the relevant Regular Record Date or at Maturity, provided that, in the case of payment of principal (and premium, if any) and any interest due at Maturity, the Note is presented to the Paying Agent in time for the Paying Agent to make such payments in such funds in accordance with its normal procedures. Such designation shall be made by filing the appropriate information with the Trustee at its corporate trust office in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York and, unless revoked by written notice to the Trustee received by the Trustee on or prior to the date five Business Days prior to the applicable Interest Payment Date or Maturity, as the case may be, any such designation made with respect to any Note by a registered

holder will remain in effect with respect to any further payments with respect to such Note payable to such holder. If a payment with respect to any such Note cannot be made by wire transfer because the required designation has not been received by the Trustee on or before the requisite date or for any other reason, a notice will be mailed to the holder at its registered address requesting a designation pursuant to which such wire transfer can be made and, upon the Trustee's receipt of such a designation, such payment will be made within five Business Days of such receipt. The Company will pay any

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administrative costs imposed by banks in connection with making payments by wire transfer, but any tax, assessment or governmental charge imposed upon payments will be borne by the holders of the Notes in respect of which payments are made.

If the principal of (and premium, if any) or interest on any Note is payable in other than U.S. dollars and such Specified Currency is not available due to the imposition of exchange controls or other circumstances beyond the control of the Company, the Company will be entitled to satisfy its obligations to holders of the Notes by making such payment in U.S. dollars on the basis of the most recently available Exchange Rate. Any payment made under such circumstances in U.S. dollars where the required payment is in other than U.S. dollars will not constitute an Event of Default (as defined in the Prospectus) under the Indenture.

BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM

Upon issuance, all Book-Entry Notes bearing interest at the same rate or pursuant to the same formula, having the same date of issuance, redemption provisions, if any, Specified Currency, Stated Maturity and other terms will be represented by a single Global Security. Each Global Security representing Book-Entry Notes will be deposited with, or on behalf of, the Depositary located in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, and will be registered in the name of the Depositary or a nominee of the Depositary. Currently, the Depositary accepts deposits of Global Securities denominated in U.S. dollars only.

With respect to any Book-Entry Note denominated in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars, the Depositary currently has elected to have payments of principal (and premium, if any) and interest on such Note made in U.S. dollars unless notified by any of its Participants (as defined below) through which an interest in such Note is held that it elects to receive such payment of principal (or premium, if any) or interest in such Specified Currency. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, a Beneficial Owner (as defined below) of Book-Entry Notes denominated in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars electing to receive payments of principal (or any premium) or interest in a currency other than U.S. dollars must notify the Participant through which its interest is held on or prior to the applicable Record Date, in the case of a payment of interest, and on or prior to the sixteenth day prior to Maturity, in the case of principal or premium, of such Beneficial Owner's election to receive all or a portion of such payment in such Specified Currency. Such Participant must notify the Depositary of such election on or prior to the third Business Day after such Record Date or after such sixteenth day. The Depositary will notify the Trustee of such election on or prior to the fifth Business Day after such Record Date or after such sixteenth day. If complete instructions are received by the Participant and forwarded by the Participant to the Depositary, and by the Depositary to the Trustee, on or prior to such dates, the Beneficial Owner will receive payments in the Specified Currency.

The Depositary has advised the Company as follows: the Depositary 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 Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of

1934. The Depositary holds securities that its participants ("Participants") deposit with the Depositary. The Depositary also facilitates the settlement among Participants of securities transactions, such as transfers and pledges, in deposited securities through electronic computerized book-entry changes in Participants' accounts, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. "Direct Participants" include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. Access to the Depositary's system is also available to others, such as securities brokers

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and dealers, banks and trust companies, that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). The Rules applicable to the Depositary and its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Purchases of Book-Entry Notes under the Depositary's system must be made by or through Direct Participants. Upon the issuance by the Company of Book-Entry Notes represented by any Global Security, the Depositary will credit, on its book-entry system, the respective principal amounts of the Book-Entry Notes represented by such Global Security to the accounts of Participants. The accounts to be credited shall be designated by the agents of the Company with respect to such Book-Entry Notes, by certain other agents of the Company or by the Company if such Book-Entry Notes are offered and sold directly by the Company. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Book-Entry Note (a "Beneficial Owner") will be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from the Depositary of their purchase, but Beneficial Owners are expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in Book-Entry Notes are expected to be effected by entries made on the books of Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Book-Entry Notes, except as set forth below. To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Book-Entry Notes deposited by Participants with the Depositary will be registered in the name of the Depositary's partnership nominee, Cede & Co. The deposit of Book-Entry Notes with the Depositary and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. will not effect any change in beneficial ownership. The laws of some states require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of such securities in definitive form. Such laws may impair the ability to transfer beneficial interests in Book-Entry Notes represented by any Global Security.

So long as the Depositary for any Global Security, or its nominee, is the registered owner of such Global Security, the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the Book-Entry Notes represented by such Global Security for all purposes of such Notes and for all purposes under the Indenture.

With respect to any Book-Entry Note, unless the Depositary has notified the Company that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary therefor, the Depositary has ceased to be a clearing agency registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that all Book-Entry Notes shall be exchangeable, an Event of Default (as defined below under "Description of Debt Securities--Events of Default" in the accompanying Prospectus) has occurred and is continuing with respect to the Notes represented thereby or as otherwise set forth in the applicable Pricing Supplement, owners of beneficial interests in such Book-Entry Note will not be entitled to have the Notes represented thereby registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Certificated Notes in exchange therefor and will not be considered to be the owners or holders of any Notes represented thereby under the Indenture or such Book-Entry Note. Unless and until it is exchanged in whole or in part for individual certificates evidencing the Book-Entry Notes represented thereby, any Global Security may not be transferred except as a whole by the depositary for such

Global Security to a nominee of such depositary or by a nominee of such depositary to such depositary or another nominee of such depositary or by the depositary or any nominee to a successor depositary or any nominee of such successor.

The Company expects that conveyance of notices and other communications by the Depositary to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. In addition, neither the

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Depositary nor Cede & Co. will consent or vote with respect to Notes; the Company has been advised that the Depositary's usual procedure is to mail an omnibus proxy to the Company as soon as possible after the record date with respect to such consent or vote. The omnibus proxy would assign Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Notes are credited on such record date (identified in a listing attached to the omnibus proxy).

Settlement for Book-Entry Notes will be made by the purchasers thereof in immediately available funds. As long as the Depositary continues to make its same day funds settlement system available to the Company, all payments of principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on a Book-Entry Note held by the Depositary or its nominee will be made by the Company in immediately available funds.

Secondary trading in notes and debentures of corporate issuers is generally settled in clearinghouse or next-day funds. In contrast, Book-Entry Notes will trade in the Depositary's same-day funds settlement system, and secondary market trading activity in those securities will therefore be required by the Depositary to settle in immediately available funds. No assurance can be given as to the effect, if any, of settlement in immediately available funds on trading activity in Book-Entry Notes.

Payments of principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on the Book-Entry Notes represented by a Global Security registered in the name of the Depositary or its nominee will be made by the Company through the Trustee to the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered owner of such Global Security. Neither the Company nor the Trustee will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in any Global Security or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests.

The Company has been advised that the Depositary will credit the accounts of Direct Participants with payment in amounts proportionate to their respective holdings in any Global Security as shown on the records of the Depositary. The Company has been advised that the Depositary's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts on the applicable payment date unless the Depositary has reason to believe that it will not receive payment on such date. The Company expects that payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing customer instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers. Such payments will be the responsibility of such Participants.

UNITED STATES TAXATION CONSIDERATIONS

The following summary of certain federal income tax consequences to holders of Notes is based on current law and is for general information only. The tax treatment of a holder of a particular Note may vary depending upon his particular situation. Certain holders of Notes (including insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, financial institutions, broker-dealers, foreign corporations and persons who are not citizens or residents of the United States) may be subject to special rules not discussed below. BECAUSE THE EXACT

PRICING AND OTHER TERMS OF THE NOTES HAVE NOT YET BEEN FINALIZED, NO ASSURANCE CAN BE GIVEN THAT THE CONSIDERATIONS DESCRIBED BELOW WILL APPLY TO A PARTICULAR ISSUANCE OF NOTES. CERTAIN MATERIAL UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES RELATING TO THE OWNERSHIP OF PARTICULAR NOTES (WHERE APPLICABLE) WILL BE SUMMARIZED IN THE PRICING SUPPLEMENT RELATING TO SUCH NOTES. EACH PURCHASER SHOULD CONSULT HIS TAX ADVISOR AS TO THE TAX CONSEQUENCES TO HIM OF HOLDING AND DISPOSING OF THE NOTES, INCLUDING THE APPLICABILITY AND EFFECT OF ANY STATE, LOCAL OR FOREIGN TAX LAWS.

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Due to the terms of a particular Note as set forth in the applicable Pricing Supplement, some or all of the Notes may be issued with original issue discount. Holders of Notes issued with original issue discount may be required to include such original issue discount in gross income as interest income for federal income tax purposes before receiving the cash to which such interest income is attributable. In general, the amount of original issue discount, if any, on a Note would be the excess of its "stated redemption price at maturity" over its "issue price," subject to a statutorily-defined de minimis exception. Holders of Notes issued with original issue discount must generally include in gross income for federal income tax purposes the sum of the daily portions of original issue discount with respect to such Notes for each day during the taxable year or portion of a taxable year on which such holder holds the Notes.

Treasury Department regulations provide that any Floating Rate Notes that (i) bear interest such that the Floating Rate Notes qualify as "variable rate debt instruments" as defined in the Treasury Department regulations, but do not provide for "qualified stated interest," as defined in the Treasury Department regulations or (ii) bear interest such that the Floating Rate Notes do not qualify as "variable rate debt instruments," may be treated as issued with original issue discount or as contingent payment obligations. Even if the Floating Rate Notes would otherwise qualify as "variable rate debt instruments," if the Floating Rate Notes are subject to a Maximum Rate or Minimum Rate limitation, the Floating Rate Notes could be treated as contingent payment obligations for federal income tax purposes. In addition, a holder of a Note with interest denominated in a foreign currency may recognize more or less income as a result of the required conversion to United States dollars for federal income tax purposes.

The Treasury Department has recently proposed regulations dealing with the treatment of contingent payment obligations (the "Proposed Regulations"). These Proposed Regulations supersede the proposed Treasury Department regulations originally published on April 8, 1986 dealing with contingent payment obligations and are not proposed to be effective for debt instruments issued prior to the date that is 60 days after the date on which the Proposed Regulations are finalized. Because the Proposed Regulations represent the best indication of the current view of the Treasury Department with respect to the federal income tax treatment of contingent payment obligations, the Company intends to take the position (absent any express authority to the contrary and unless otherwise indicated) that the rules set forth in the Proposed Regulations will control the tax treatment of any Floating Rate Note that is treated as a contingent payment obligation, and the following discussion assumes such treatment. There can be no assurance, however, that the final Treasury Department regulations regarding contingent payment obligations will not differ materially from the Proposed Regulations. Accordingly, the ultimate federal income tax treatment of any Floating Rate Note that is treated as a contingent payment obligation may differ from that described herein.

Generally, if the Notes are treated as contingent payment obligations, interest payments thereon will be treated as "contingent interest" payments. Under the Proposed Regulations, any contingent interest payments on a Floating Rate Note would be includible in income in a taxable year whether or not the amount of any such payment is fixed or determinable in that year. The amount of interest included in income in any particular accrual period would be determined by estimating a projected payment schedule (as determined under the Proposed Regulations) for the Floating Rate Note and applying daily accrual

rules similar to those for accruing original issue discount on noncontingent debt instruments issued with original issue discount (as discussed above). If the actual amount of a contingent interest payment is not equal to the projected amount, an adjustment to income at the time of the payment must be made to reflect the difference.

A holder of Notes will be subject to backup withholding at the rate of 31% with respect to interest paid on or original issue discount accrued on the Notes unless (i) such holder is a corporation or comes within certain other exempt categories and, when required demonstrates this fact or (ii) provides a correct taxpayer identification number, certifies as to no loss of exemption from backup withholding and otherwise complies with applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules. A holder of Notes

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who does not provide the Company with his or her correct taxpayer identification number may be subject to penalties imposed by the Internal Revenue Service (the "Service"). The Company will report to holders of the Note and the Service the amount of any "reportable payments" (including any original issue discount accrued on the Notes) and any amount withheld with respect to the Notes during the calendar year.

Certain material United States federal income tax considerations relating to the ownership of a particular Note (if applicable), including (but not limited to) a Note with interest or principal denominated in a foreign currency, will be summarized in the applicable Pricing Supplement.

FOREIGN CURRENCY RISKS

THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT AND THE ATTACHED PROSPECTUS AND PRICING SUPPLEMENT DO NOT DESCRIBE ALL THE RISKS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE NOTES DENOMINATED IN OTHER THAN U.S. DOLLARS. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN FINANCIAL AND LEGAL ADVISORS AS TO THE RISKS ENTAILED BY AN INVESTMENT IN THE NOTES DENOMINATED IN A CURRENCY (INCLUDING ANY COMPOSITE CURRENCY) OTHER THAN U.S. DOLLARS. SUCH NOTES ARE NOT AN APPROPRIATE INVESTMENT FOR INVESTORS WHO ARE UNSOPHISTICATED WITH RESPECT TO FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS.

THE INFORMATION SET FORTH IN THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT IS DIRECTED TO PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS WHO ARE UNITED STATES RESIDENTS, AND THE COMPANY DISCLAIMS ANY RESPONSIBILITY TO ADVISE PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF COUNTRIES OTHER THAN THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTERS THAT MAY AFFECT THE PURCHASE, HOLDING OR RECEIPT OF PAYMENTS OF PRINCIPAL OF (AND PREMIUM, IF ANY) AND INTEREST ON THE NOTES. SUCH PERSONS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN FINANCIAL AND LEGAL ADVISORS WITH REGARD TO SUCH MATTERS.

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Exchange Rates and Exchange Controls. An investment in Notes that are denominated in other than U.S. dollars entails significant risks that are not associated with a similar investment in a security denominated in U.S. dollars. Such risks include, without limitation, the possibility of significant changes in rates of exchange between the U.S. dollar and the various foreign currencies or composite currencies and the possibility of the imposition or modification of foreign exchange controls by either the U.S. or foreign governments. Such risks generally depend on factors over which the Company has no control, such as economic and political events and the supply of and demand for the relevant currencies. In recent years, rates of exchange between the U.S. dollar and certain foreign currencies have been highly volatile and such volatility may be expected in the future. Fluctuations in any particular exchange rate that have occurred in the past are not necessarily indicative, however, of fluctuations in the rate that may occur during the term of any Note. Depreciation of a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars against the U.S. dollar would result in a decrease in the effective yield of such Note below its coupon rate, and in certain circumstances could result in a loss to the investor on a U.S. dollar basis.

Governments have imposed from time to time and may in the future impose exchange controls which could affect exchange rates as well as the availability of the Specified Currency at a Note's Maturity or on any other payment date in respect thereof. Even if there are no actual exchange controls, it is possible that the Specified Currency for any particular Note would not be available at such Note's Maturity. In that event, the Company will repay in U.S. dollars on the basis of the most recently available Exchange Rate. See "Description of Notes --Payment of Principal and Interest".

Currently, there are limited facilities in the United States for conversion of U.S. dollars into foreign currencies, and vice versa. Accordingly, payments on Notes made in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars will be made from an account with a bank located in the country issuing the Specified Currency (or, with respect to Notes denominated in ECUs, from an ECU account). See "Description of Notes -- Payment of Principal and Interest".

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Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, Notes denominated in other than U.S. dollars or ECUs will not be sold in, or to residents of, the country issuing the Specified Currency in which particular Notes are denominated.

With respect to any Note denominated in other than U.S. dollars, a Pricing Supplement including a currency supplement with respect to the applicable Specified Currency (which supplement shall include information with respect to applicable current foreign exchange controls, if any), certain federal income tax considerations and the relevant historical exchange rates for the Specified Currency shall constitute a part of this Prospectus Supplement. The information therein concerning exchange rates is furnished as a matter of information only and should not be regarded as indicative of the range of or trends in fluctuations in currency exchange rates that may occur in the future.

GOVERNING LAW AND JUDGMENTS

The Indenture and the Notes will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California. A judgment for money in an action based on a Note denominated in a foreign currency or currency unit in a federal or state court in the United States ordinarily would be enforced in the United States only in United States dollars. Under California law, a judgment on a foreign-money claim is stated in an amount of the foreign currency or currency unit and is payable in that foreign currency or, at the option of the debtor, in United States dollars. The date used to determine the rate of conversion of the currency or currency unit in which any particular Note is denominated into United States dollars will depend upon various factors, including which court renders the judgment.

NOTES DENOMINATED IN ECUS

If payment on a Note is required to be made in ECUs and on a payment date with respect to such Note, ECUs are unavailable due to the imposition of exchange controls or other circumstances beyond the Company's control or are no longer used in the European Monetary System, then all payments due on such payment date shall be made in U.S. dollars. The amount so payable on any payment date in ECUs shall be converted into U.S. dollars at a rate determined by the Exchange Rate Agent as of the second Business Day prior to the date on which such payment is due on the following basis: The component currencies of the ECUs for this purpose (the "Components") shall be the currency amounts that were components of the ECUs as of the last date on which ECUs were used in the European Monetary System. The equivalent of ECUs in U.S. dollars shall be calculated by aggregating the U.S. dollar equivalents of the Components. The U.S. dollar equivalent of each of the Components shall be determined by the Exchange Rate Agent on the basis of the most recently available Exchange Rate for the Components, or as otherwise indicated in the applicable Pricing Supplement.

If the official unit of any component currency is altered by way of combination or subdivision, the number of units of that currency as a Component shall be divided or multiplied in the same proportion. If two or more component currencies are consolidated into a single currency, the amounts of those currencies as Components shall be replaced by an amount in such single currency equal to the sum of the amounts of the consolidated component currencies expressed in such single currency. If any component currency is divided into two or more currencies, the amount of that currency as a Component shall be replaced by amounts of such two or more currencies, each of which shall have a value on the date of division equal to the amount of the former component currency divided by the number of currencies into which that currency was divided.

All determinations referred to above made by the Exchange Rate Agent shall be at its sole discretion (except to the extent expressly provided herein or in the applicable Pricing Supplement that any determination is subject to approval by the Company) and, in the absence of manifest error, shall be conclusive for all purposes and binding on holders of the Notes and the Company, and the Exchange Rate Agent shall have no liability therefor.

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SUPPLEMENTAL PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Distribution Agreement, dated May 12, 1995 (the "Distribution Agreement"), the Notes are being offered on a continuing basis by the Company through Goldman, Sachs & Co. and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. (the "Agents"), who have agreed to use their best efforts to solicit purchases of the Notes. The Company will have the sole right to accept offers to purchase Notes and may reject any proposed purchase of Notes as a whole or in part. The Agents shall have the right, in their discretion reasonably exercised, to reject any offer to purchase Notes, as a whole or in part. The Company will pay the Agents a commission of from .125% to .750% of the principal amount of Notes, depending upon maturity, for sales made through them as Agents.

The Company may also sell Notes to the Agents as principals for their own accounts. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, any Note sold to an Agent as principal will be purchased by such Agent at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof less a percentage equal to the commission applicable to an agency sale of a Note of identical maturity. Such Notes may be resold at prevailing market prices, or at prices related thereto, at the time of such resale, as determined by the Agents. The Company reserves the right to sell Notes directly on its own behalf. No commission will be payable on any Notes sold directly by the Company.

In addition, the Agents may offer the Notes they have purchased as principal to other dealers. The Agents may sell Notes to any dealer at a discount and, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Pricing Supplement, such discount allowed to any dealer may include all or part of the discount to be received from the Company. After the initial public offering of Notes to be resold to investors and other purchasers on a fixed public offering price basis, the public offering price, concession and discount may be changed.

The Agents may sell to or through dealers who may resell to investors, and the Agents may pay all or part of their discount or commission to such dealers. Such dealers may be deemed to be "underwriters" within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act").

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Pricing Supplement, payment of the purchase price of Notes will be required to be made in immediately available funds in The City of New York.

The Agents, as agents or principals, may be deemed to be "underwriters" within the meaning of the Act. The Company has agreed to indemnify the Agents against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Act. The Company

has agreed to reimburse the Agents for certain expenses.

Goldman, Sachs & Co. and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. have performed various investment banking services for the Company and its subsidiaries and may perform such services in the future. Affiliates of J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. have performed commercial banking services for the Company and its subsidiaries and may perform such services in the future.

The Notes are a new issue of securities with no established trading market and will not be listed on any securities exchange. No assurance can be given as to the existence or liquidity of any secondary market for the Notes.

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DEBT SECURITIES

Avery Dennison Corporation (the "Company") may offer, from time to time, debt securities consisting of debentures, notes and/or other unsecured evidences of indebtedness (the "Debt Securities") at an aggregate initial offering price not to exceed \$100,000,000, or, if the principal of the Debt Securities is payable in a foreign or composite currency, the equivalent thereof at the time of the offering. The Debt Securities may be offered as separate series and may be offered in amounts, at prices and on terms to be determined at the time of sale. When a particular series of Debt Securities (the "Offered Debt Securities") is offered, a supplement to this Prospectus (the "Prospectus Supplement") will be delivered with this Prospectus setting forth the terms of such Offered Debt Securities, including, if applicable, the specific designation, aggregate principal amount, denominations, currency, purchase price, maturity, interest rate (which may be fixed or variable) and time of payment of interest, redemption terms and any listing on a securities exchange of the Offered Debt Securities. All or a portion of the Debt Securities of a series may be issued in temporary or permanent global form.

THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION NOR HAS THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The Offered Debt Securities may be sold directly, through agents designated from time to time or through underwriters or dealers, which may be a group of underwriters represented by one or more firms, or through a combination of such methods. See "Plan of Distribution." If any agents of the Company or any underwriters or dealers are involved in the sale of the Offered Debt Securities, the names of such agents, underwriters or dealers and any applicable commissions or discounts will be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement.

This Prospectus may not be used to consummate sales of Debt Securities unless accompanied by a Prospectus Supplement.

The date of this Prospectus is May 11, 1995

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

The Company is subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and in accordance therewith files reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"). Such reports, proxy statements and other information can be inspected and copied at the public reference facilities maintained by the Commission at Room 1024, Judiciary Plaza, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, and at the following Regional Offices of the Commission: New York Regional Office, 7 World Trade Center, Suite 1300, New York, New York 10048; and Chicago Regional Office, Citicorp Center, 500 West Madison Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661. Copies of such materials can be obtained from the Public Reference Branch of the Commission at Room 1024, Judiciary Plaza, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549 at prescribed rates. Such material can also be inspected at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005 and the Pacific Stock Exchange Incorporated, 301 Pine Street, San Francisco, California 94104, on which exchanges the Company's common stock is listed.

This Prospectus constitutes a part of a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (together with all amendments and exhibits, referred to as the "Registration Statement") filed by the Company with the Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"). This Prospectus omits certain of the information contained in the Registration Statement in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission, and reference is hereby made to the Registration Statement for further information with respect to the Company and the Debt Securities offered hereby. Any statements contained herein concerning the provisions of any documents are not necessarily complete, and, in each instance, reference is made to such copy filed as a part of the Registration Statement or otherwise filed with the Commission. Each such statement is qualified in its entirety by such reference. The Registration Statement may be inspected without charge at the office of the Commission at Room 1024, Judiciary Plaza, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, and copies thereof may be obtained from the Commission at prescribed rates.

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1994 is incorporated in and made a part of this Prospectus.

All documents filed by the Company with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of this Prospectus and prior to the termination of the offering of the Debt Securities shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Prospectus and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained herein or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in any subsequently filed document deemed to be incorporated herein or contained in the accompanying Prospectus Supplement modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of the Registration Statement or this Prospectus.

The Company will provide without charge to each person to whom a copy of this Prospectus is delivered, on the request of any such person, a copy of any or all of the documents incorporated herein by reference (other than exhibits to such documents, unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference into the documents that this Prospectus incorporates). Requests for such copies should be directed to the Secretary, Avery Dennison Corporation, 150 North Orange Grove Boulevard, Pasadena, California 91103; telephone (818) 304-2000.

The principal business of the Company is the production of self-adhesive materials. Some of these materials are "converted" into labels and other products through embossing, printing, stamping and die-cutting, and some are sold in unconverted form as base materials, tapes and reflective sheeting. The Company also manufactures and sells a variety of office products and other items not involving pressure-sensitive components, such as notebooks, three-ring binders, organizing systems, felt-tip markers, glues, fasteners, business forms, tickets, tags and a diversified line of labeling systems and imprinting equipment.

The Company manufactures and sells these products from 200 manufacturing facilities and sales offices located in 27 countries, and employs approximately 15,550 persons worldwide. Its principal corporate offices are located at 150 North Orange Grove Boulevard, Pasadena, California 91103 (telephone: (818) 304-2000).

The Company was founded in 1935 by R. Stanton Avery, the Founder and Chairman Emeritus, incorporated in California in 1946 and reincorporated in Delaware in 1977. On October 16, 1990, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company merged into Dennison Manufacturing Company ("Dennison"), Dennison became a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, and the Company changed its name from Avery International Corporation to Avery Dennison Corporation. References herein to the "Company" are to Avery Dennison Corporation and its subsidiaries, unless the context otherwise requires.

USE OF PROCEEDS

Except as may be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement, the Company intends to use the net proceeds from the sale of the Debt Securities to reduce domestic variable-rate short-term borrowings, some of which are classified as long-term debt, to reduce or retire from time to time other indebtedness and for other general corporate purposes.

RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth the Company's consolidated ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the periods shown.

1990					
----- ACTUAL -----	AS ADJUSTED -----	1991 ----	1992 ----	1993 ----	1994 ----
1.2	2.8	2.7	3.1	3.2	3.9

The ratios of earnings to fixed charges were computed by dividing earnings by fixed charges. For this purpose, "earnings" consist of income before income taxes plus fixed charges (excluding capitalized interest), and "fixed charges" consist of interest expense, capitalized interest, amortization of debt issuance costs and the portion of rent expense (estimated to be 45% for 1990, 40% for 1991 and 35% for 1992, 1993 and 1994) on operating leases deemed representative of interest. In 1990, the Company incurred merger expenses and restructuring charges of \$13.8 million and \$85.2 million, respectively, in connection with the merger of Dennison with a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. The "As adjusted" amount shown above for 1990 has been calculated to exclude the effect of these items.

DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES

The Debt Securities are to be issued under an Indenture, dated as of March 15, 1991, between the Company and Security Pacific National Bank, as Trustee, as amended by a First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 16, 1993, between the Company and BankAmerica National Trust Company, as successor Trustee (the "Trustee"), each of which is incorporated by reference as an

Statement (collectively, the "Indenture"). The following summary of certain general provisions of the Indenture and the Debt Securities does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture, including the definitions therein of certain terms. The particular terms of the Offered Debt Securities and the extent, if any, to which such general provisions may apply to the Offered Debt Securities will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such Offered Debt Securities.

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The Indenture does not limit the amount of Debt Securities which may be issued thereunder and provides that Debt Securities may be issued thereunder up to the aggregate principal amount which may be authorized from time to time. The Debt Securities may be issued from time to time in one or more series. The Debt Securities will be unsecured and will rank on a parity with all other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness of the Company.

Debt Securities will be issued in fully registered form without coupons and may be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more global securities ("Global Securities").

Reference is made to the Prospectus Supplement relating to the particular series of Offered Debt Securities offered thereby for the following terms of the Offered Debt Securities: (i) the title and aggregate principal amount of the Offered Debt Securities; (ii) the price (expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount thereof) at which the Offered Debt Securities will be issued; (iii) the date or dates on which the Offered Debt Securities will mature; (iv) the rate or rates per annum, or the method for determining such rate or rates, if any, at which the Offered Debt Securities will bear interest; (v) the date from which such interest, if any, on the Offered Debt Securities will accrue, the dates on which such interest, if any, will be payable, the date on which payment of such interest, if any, will commence and the regular record dates for such interest payment dates; (vi) the place or places where the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, on the Offered Debt Securities shall be payable; (vii) any optional or mandatory sinking fund provisions; (viii) the date, if any, after which, or the period or periods, if any, within which, and the price or prices at which the Offered Debt Securities may, pursuant to any optional or mandatory redemption provisions, be redeemed at the option of the Company or the holder thereof and any other terms and provisions of such optional or mandatory redemptions; (ix) the denominations in which any Offered Debt Securities will be issuable if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof; (x) if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of Offered Debt Securities which will be payable upon declaration of acceleration of maturity thereof; (xi) any Events of Default with respect to the Offered Debt Securities, if not set forth in the Indenture; (xii) the currency or currencies, including composite currencies, in which payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, on the Offered Debt Securities will be payable (if other than the currency of the United States of America) which may be different for principal, premium, if any, and interest, if any; (xiii) if the principal of (and premium, if any), or interest, if any, on the Offered Debt Securities are to be payable, at the election of the Company or any holder thereof, in a currency or currencies other than that in which the Offered Debt Securities are stated to be payable, the period or periods within which, and the terms and conditions upon which, such election may be made; (xiv) if the amount of payments of principal of (and premium, if any), or interest, if any, on the Offered Debt Securities may be determined with reference to an index, the manner in which such amounts will be determined; (xv) whether such Offered Debt Securities are to be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Securities; (xvi) the application, if any, of certain provisions of the Indenture relating to defeasance and discharge, and certain conditions thereto; (xvii) any additional covenants or other material terms relating to the Offered

Debt Securities (which may not be inconsistent with the Indenture); and (xviii) any Federal income tax consequences applicable to the Offered Debt Securities.

Unless otherwise indicated in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto, principal (and premium, if any) will be payable and the Debt Securities will be transferable at the corporate trust office of the Trustee in the City of New York, New York. Unless other arrangements are made, interest, if any, will be paid by checks mailed by first class mail to the holders of Debt Securities at their registered addresses. No service charge

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will be made for any transfer or exchange of the Debt Securities, but the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

One or more series of the Debt Securities may be issued as discounted Debt Securities (bearing no interest or interest at a rate which at the time of issuance is below market rates) to be sold at a substantial discount below their stated principal amount. Federal income tax consequences and other special considerations applicable to any such discounted Debt Securities will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto.

Indexed Debt Securities may be issued with the principal amount payable at maturity, or the amount of interest payable on an interest payment date, to be determined by reference to a currency exchange rate, composite currency, commodity price or other financial or non-financial index as set forth in the Pricing Supplement applicable thereto. Holders of indexed Debt Securities may receive a principal amount at maturity that is greater than or less than the face amount of such Debt Securities depending upon the value at maturity of the applicable index. Information as to the methods for determining the principal amount payable at maturity or the amount of interest payable on an interest payment date, as the case may be, any currency or commodity market to which principal or interest is indexed, foreign exchange and other risks and certain additional tax and other considerations with respect to indexed Debt Securities will be set forth in the Pricing Supplement applicable thereto.

The covenants of the Company under the Indenture, as described below, will not necessarily afford holders of the Debt Securities protection in the event of a highly leveraged transaction involving the Company, such as a leveraged buyout.

CERTAIN DEFINITIONS

"Attributable Debt" means, as to any particular lease under which any Person is at the time liable and at any date as of which the amount thereof is to be determined, the total net amount of rent required to be paid by such Person under such lease during the remaining primary term thereof, discounted from the respective due dates thereof to such date at the actual percentage rate inherent in such arrangement as determined in good faith by the Company. The net amount of rent required to be paid under any such lease for any such period shall be the aggregate amount of the rent payable by the lessee with respect to such period after excluding amounts required to be paid on account of maintenance and repairs, insurance, taxes, assessments, water rates and similar charges. In the case of any lease which is terminable by the lessee upon the payment of a penalty, such net amount shall also include the amount of such penalty, but no rent shall be considered as required to be paid under such lease subsequent to the first date upon which it may be so terminated.

"Consolidated Net Tangible Assets" means the aggregate amount of assets (less applicable reserves and other properly deductible items) less (i) all liabilities, other than deferred income taxes and Funded Debt and (ii) all goodwill, trade names, trademarks, patents, organizational expenses and other like intangibles, of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries and computed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

"Funded Debt" means (i) all indebtedness for money borrowed having a maturity

of more than 12 months from the date as of which the determination is made or having a maturity of 12 months or less but by its terms being renewable or extendible beyond 12 months from such date at the option of the borrower and (ii) rental obligations payable more than 12 months from such date under leases which are capitalized in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (such rental obligations to be included as Funded Debt at the amount so capitalized and to be included for the purposes of the definition of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets both as an asset and as Funded Debt at the amount so capitalized).

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

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"Principal Property" means any real property owned at March 15, 1991 or thereafter acquired by the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company the gross book value (including related land and improvements thereon and all machinery and equipment included therein without deduction of any depreciation reserves) of which on the date as of which the determination is being made exceeds 2% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets other than (i) any property which in the opinion of the Board of Directors is not of material importance to the total business conducted by the Company and its Subsidiaries as an entirety or (ii) any portion of a particular property which is similarly found not to be of material importance to the use or operation of such property.

"Subsidiary" means a corporation, partnership or trust more than 50% of the outstanding voting stock of which, or similar ownership interest in which, is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company or by one or more other Subsidiaries, or by the Company and one or more other Subsidiaries.

RESTRICTIONS ON SECURED DEBT

If the Company or any Subsidiary shall incur, issue, assume or guarantee any evidence of indebtedness for borrowed money ("Debt") secured, after March 15, 1991, by a mortgage, pledge or lien ("Mortgage") on any Principal Property of the Company or any Subsidiary, or on any share of capital stock or Debt of any Subsidiary, the Company will secure or cause such Subsidiary to secure the Debt Securities equally and ratably with (or, at the Company's option, prior to) such secured Debt, so long as such secured Debt is so secured, unless, after giving effect thereto, the aggregate amount of all such secured Debt, together with all Attributable Debt of the Company and its Subsidiaries with respect to sale and leaseback transactions involving Principal Properties (with the exception of such transactions which are excluded as described in "Restrictions on Sales and Leasebacks" below), would not exceed 10% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets.

The above restriction will not apply to, and there will be excluded from secured Debt in any computation under such restriction, Debt secured by (a) Mortgages on property of the Company or any Subsidiary, or on any shares of capital stock of or Debt of any Subsidiary, existing on March 15, 1991, (b) Mortgages on property of, or on any shares of capital stock of or Debt of, any corporation existing at the time such corporation becomes a Subsidiary, (c) Mortgages in favor of the Company or any Subsidiary, (d) Mortgages in favor of governmental bodies to secure progress, advance or other payments pursuant to any contract or provision of any statute, (e) Mortgages on property, shares of capital stock or Debt existing at the time of acquisition thereof (including acquisition through merger or consolidation) and purchase money and construction Mortgages which are entered into within specified time limits, (f) Mortgages securing industrial revenue bonds, pollution control bonds or other similar types of bonds, (g) mechanics and similar liens arising in the ordinary course of business in respect of obligations not due or being contested in good faith, (h) Mortgages arising from deposits with, or the giving of any form of security to, any governmental agency required as a condition to the transaction of business or exercise of any privilege, franchise or license, (i) Mortgages for taxes, assessments or governmental charges or levies which are not then

delinquent or, if delinquent, are being contested in good faith, (j) Mortgages (including judgment liens) arising from legal proceedings being contested in good faith (and, in the case of judgment liens, execution thereof is stayed) and (k) any extension, renewal or replacement of any Mortgage referred to in the foregoing clauses (a) through (j) inclusive or any Debt secured thereby, provided that such extension, renewal or replacement will be limited to all or part of the same property, shares of capital stock or Debt that secured the Mortgage extended, renewed or replaced.

RESTRICTIONS ON SALES AND LEASEBACKS

Neither the Company nor any Subsidiary may, after March 15, 1991, enter into any sale and leaseback transaction involving any Principal Property, unless, after giving effect thereto, the aggregate amount of all Attributable Debt with respect to such transactions plus all Debt secured by Mortgages on Principal Properties, or on shares of capital stock or Debt of Subsidiaries (with the exception of secured Debt which is excluded as described in "Restrictions on Secured Debt" above), would not exceed 10% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets.

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This restriction will not apply to, and there shall be excluded from Attributable Debt in any computation under such restriction, any sale and leaseback transaction if (a) the lease is for a period, including renewal rights, of not in excess of three years, (b) the sale or transfer of the Principal Property is made within a specified period after its acquisition or construction, (c) the lease secures or relates to industrial revenue bonds, pollution control bonds or other similar types of bonds, (d) the transaction is between the Company and a Subsidiary or between Subsidiaries, or (e) the Company or a Subsidiary, within 120 days after the sale or transfer shall have been made by the Company or by a Subsidiary, applies an amount equal to the greater of the net proceeds of the sale of the Principal Property leased pursuant to such arrangement or the fair market value of the Principal Property so leased at the time of entering into such arrangement (as determined in any manner approved by the Board of Directors) to (i) the retirement of the Debt Securities or other Funded Debt of the Company ranking on a parity with or senior to the Debt Securities, or the retirement of the securities or other Funded Debt of a Subsidiary; provided, however, that the amount to be applied to the retirement of such Funded Debt of the Company or a Subsidiary shall be reduced by (x) the principal amount of any Debt Securities (or other notes or debentures constituting such Funded Debt) delivered within such 120-day period to the Trustee or other applicable trustee for retirement and cancellation and (y) the principal amount of such Funded Debt, other than items referred to in the preceding clause (x), voluntarily retired by the Company or a Subsidiary within 120 days after such sale; and provided further, that notwithstanding the foregoing, no retirement referred to in this clause (i) may be effected by payment at maturity or pursuant to any mandatory sinking fund payment or any mandatory prepayment provision, or (ii) the purchase of other property which will constitute a Principal Property having a fair market value, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, at least equal to the fair market value of the Principal Property leased in such sale and leaseback transaction.

RESTRICTIONS ON THE PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS AND OTHER PAYMENTS

The Company may not declare or pay any dividends or make any distributions on its capital stock (except in shares of, or warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase shares of, capital stock of the Company), nor may the Company or any Subsidiary make any payment to retire or acquire shares of such stock, at a time when a payment default described in clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of "Events of Default" below has occurred and is continuing.

MERGER AND CONSOLIDATION

The Company covenants that it will not merge, consolidate or sell, convey, transfer or lease its properties or assets substantially as an entirety and the Company will not permit any Person to consolidate with or merge into the Company unless, among other things, (a) the successor Person is the Company or

another corporation, partnership or trust which assumes the Company's obligations on the Debt Securities and under the Indenture, (b) after giving effect to such transaction, the Company or the successor Person would not be in default under the Indenture and (c) if, as a result of any such consolidation or merger or such conveyance, transfer or lease, properties or assets of the Company would become subject to an encumbrance which would not be permitted by the Indenture, the Company or such successor Person takes such steps as are necessary effectively to secure the Debt Securities equally and ratably with (or, at the option of the Company, prior to) all indebtedness secured thereby.

EVENTS OF DEFAULT

The Indenture defines "Events of Default" with respect to the Debt Securities of any series as being one of the following events: (i) default in the payment of any installment of interest on that series for 30 days after becoming due; (ii) default in the payment of principal of (or premium, if any, on) that series when due; (iii) default in the deposit of any sinking fund payment on that series when due; (iv) default in the performance or breach of any other covenant or warranty of the Company in the Debt Securities of that series or the Indenture (other than a covenant or warranty included in the Indenture solely for the benefit of any series of Debt Securities other than that series) for 60 days after notice to the Company by the Trustee or to the

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Company and the Trustee by the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Debt Securities of such series; (v) default under any mortgage, indenture (including the Indenture) or instrument under which there is issued, or which secures or evidences, any indebtedness for borrowed money of the Company or any Subsidiary existing as of March 15, 1991 or thereafter created, which default shall constitute a failure to pay principal of such indebtedness in an amount exceeding \$10,000,000 when due and payable (other than as a result of acceleration), after expiration of any applicable grace period with respect thereto, or shall have resulted in an aggregate principal amount of such indebtedness exceeding \$10,000,000 becoming or being declared due and payable prior to the date on which it would otherwise have become due and payable, without such indebtedness having been discharged or such acceleration having been rescinded or annulled within a period of 10 days after notice to the Company by the Trustee or to the Company and the Trustee by the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Debt Securities of such series; (vi) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization; and (vii) any other Event of Default provided with respect to Debt Securities of that series. If an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing with respect to the Debt Securities of any series, either the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the Debt Securities then outstanding of that series may declare the principal (or such portion thereof as may be specified in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series) of the Debt Securities of such series to be immediately due and payable.

The Indenture provides that the Trustee shall, within 90 days after the occurrence of a default with respect to Debt Securities of a series, give the holders of such Debt Securities of such series notice of all uncured defaults known to it (the term default to mean the events specified above without grace periods); provided that, except in the case of default in the payment of principal of (or premium, if any) or interest, if any, on any Debt Security of such series or in the payment of any sinking fund installment with respect to Debt Securities of such series, the Trustee shall be protected in withholding such notice if it in good faith determines that the withholding of such notice is in the interest of the holders of Debt Securities of such series.

The Company will be required to furnish to the Trustee annually a statement by certain officers of the Company stating whether or not, to the best of their knowledge, the Company is in default in the performance and observance of any of the terms, provisions and conditions of certain covenants contained in the Indenture and, if the Company is in default, specifying all such defaults and the nature and status thereof of which they may have knowledge.

The holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Debt Securities of any series will have the right, subject to certain limitations, to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee with respect to the Debt Securities of such series, and to waive certain defaults with respect thereto. The Indenture provides that in case an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, the Trustee shall exercise such of its rights and powers under the Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise, as a prudent man would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his own affairs. Subject to such provisions, the Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the Indenture at the request of any of the holders of Debt Securities unless they shall have offered to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred by it in compliance with such request.

MODIFICATION OF THE INDENTURE

With certain exceptions, the Indenture may be modified or amended with the consent of the holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Debt Securities of each series affected by the modification; provided, however, that no such modification or amendment may be made, without the consent of the holder of each Debt Security affected, which would (i) reduce the principal amount of or the interest on any Debt Security, change the stated maturity of the principal of, or any installment of interest on, any Debt Security, or the other terms of payment thereof, or (ii) reduce the above-stated percentage of Debt

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Securities, the consent of the holders of which is required to modify or amend the Indenture, or the percentage of Debt Securities of any series, the consent of the holders of which is required to waive certain past defaults.

DEFEASANCE AND COVENANT DEFEASANCE

Under the Indenture, the Company may elect to discharge (a "defeasance") its obligations with respect to the outstanding Debt Securities of a series (other than certain obligations to the Trustee and the Company's obligations with respect to the registration, transfer and exchange of Debt Securities, mutilated, destroyed, lost and stolen Debt Securities, the maintenance of an office or agency in the place of payment for such series and the treatment of funds held by Paying Agents), or may elect to be released from the restrictions described under "Restrictions on Secured Debt", "Restrictions on Sales and Leasebacks" and "Restrictions on the Payment of Dividends and Other Payments" above and any other provisions identified in the accompanying Prospectus Supplement ("covenant defeasance") if, among other things, (i) the Company has irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee (or other satisfactory trustee), as trust funds for the payment of such Debt Securities, money or U.S. Government Obligations (as defined in the Indenture), or a combination thereof, which through the scheduled payment of principal and interest will provide money in an amount sufficient, without reinvestment, to pay and discharge at maturity or redemption the entire amount of principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, on such Debt Securities and any mandatory sinking fund payments or analogous payments applicable to the outstanding Debt Securities of such series; (ii) no Event of Default or event which with notice or lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default with respect to such Debt Securities shall have occurred and be continuing on the date of such deposit and, for certain purposes, at any time during the period ending on the 123rd day after the date of deposit, or any longer preference period; (iii) such defeasance or covenant defeasance shall not cause the Trustee to have a conflicting interest as referred to in the Indenture; (iv) such defeasance or covenant defeasance will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, the Indenture or other material agreements or instruments of the Company or cause the Debt Securities, if listed on a national securities exchange, to be delisted; and (v) the Company provides the Trustee with an opinion of counsel to the effect that the holders

of the Debt Securities of such series will not recognize income, gain or loss for Federal income tax purposes as a result of such covenant defeasance or defeasance, as the case may be, and will be subject to Federal income tax on the same amounts and at the same times as would have been the case if such covenant defeasance or defeasance, as the case may be, had not occurred and, in the case of a defeasance, such opinion is based upon a ruling issued by the Internal Revenue Service or a change in the applicable Federal income tax law since the date of the Indenture to that effect.

CONCERNING THE TRUSTEE

BankAmerica National Trust Company is the Trustee under the Indenture and has been appointed by the Company as initial Security Registrar (as defined in the Indenture) with regard to the Debt Securities. The Company also maintains substantial credit facilities and has other customary banking relationships with Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association, an affiliate of the Trustee.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

GENERAL

The Company may sell Offered Debt Securities (i) to or through underwriters or dealers; (ii) through agents; (iii) directly to purchasers; or (iv) through a combination of any such methods of sale. Any such underwriter, dealer or agent may be deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of the 1933 Act. The Prospectus Supplement relating to the Offered Debt Securities sets forth their offering terms, including the name or names of any underwriters, dealers or agents, the purchase price of the Offered Debt Securities and the proceeds to the Company from such sale, any discounts, commissions and other items constituting compensation, any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers and any securities exchanges on which the Offered Debt Securities may be listed.

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If underwriters are used in the sale, the Offered Debt Securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed, or at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, or at prices related to such prevailing market prices, or at negotiated prices. The Offered Debt Securities may be offered to the public either through underwriting syndicates represented by one or more managing underwriters or directly by one or more of such firms. Unless otherwise set forth in the Prospectus Supplement, the obligations of the underwriters to purchase the Offered Debt Securities will be subject to certain conditions precedent and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all the Offered Debt Securities if any are purchased. Any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

Under agreements which may be entered into by the Company, underwriters, dealers and agents who participate in the distribution of Offered Debt Securities may be entitled to indemnification or contribution by the Company against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the 1933 Act.

The specific terms and manner of sale of Offered Debt Securities will be set forth or summarized in the Prospectus Supplement.

If so indicated in the Prospectus Supplement, the Company will authorize underwriters or other persons acting as the Company's agents to solicit offers by certain institutions to purchase Offered Debt Securities from the Company pursuant to contracts providing for payment and delivery on a future date. Institutions with which such contracts may be made include commercial and savings banks, insurance companies, pension funds, investment companies, educational and charitable institutions and others, but in all cases will be subject to acceptance by the Company. The obligations of any purchaser under

any such contracts will be subject to the condition that the purchase of Offered Debt Securities shall not at the time of delivery be prohibited under the laws of the jurisdiction to which such purchaser is subject. The underwriters and such other persons will not have any responsibility in respect of the validity or performance of such contracts.

LEGAL OPINIONS

The validity of the Debt Securities will be passed upon for the Company by Latham & Watkins, and for the underwriters, dealers or agents, if any, by O'Melveny & Myers, unless otherwise specified in the Prospectus Supplement.

EXPERTS

The consolidated balance sheet of the Company as of December 31, 1994 and January 1, 1994, and the related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1994, incorporated by reference in this Prospectus, have been incorporated herein in reliance on the report, which includes an explanatory paragraph regarding the Company's adoption of the provisions of the Financial Accounting Standards Board's Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 106, "Employers' Accounting for Postretirement Benefits Other Than Pensions", SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes" and SFAS No. 112, "Employers' Accounting for Postemployment Benefits" during 1993, of Coopers & Lybrand L.L.P., independent accountants, given on the authority of that firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

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NO PERSON HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE CONTAINED OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT, ANY PRICING SUPPLEMENT OR THE PROSPECTUS IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFER MADE BY THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT, ANY PRICING SUPPLEMENT AND THE PROSPECTUS AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATIONS MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON AS HAVING BEEN AUTHORIZED. NEITHER THE DELIVERY OF THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT, ANY PRICING SUPPLEMENT AND THE PROSPECTUS NOR ANY SALE MADE HEREUNDER AND THEREUNDER SHALL UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES CREATE AN IMPLICATION THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE AFFAIRS OF THE COMPANY SINCE THE DATE HEREOF OR THEREOF. THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT, ANY PRICING SUPPLEMENT AND THE PROSPECTUS DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR SOLICITATION BY ANYONE IN ANY STATE IN WHICH SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION IS NOT AUTHORIZED OR IN WHICH THE PERSON MAKING SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION IS NOT QUALIFIED TO DO SO OR TO ANYONE TO WHOM IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION.

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