

COCA COLA CO
Form 8-K
December 09, 2010

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 9, 2010

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other
jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-02217
(Commission
File Number)

58-0628465
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

One Coca-Cola Plaza
Atlanta, Georgia
(Address of principal executive offices)

30313
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (404) 676-2121

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(17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act

(17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On December 9, 2010, the Board of Directors of The Coca-Cola Company (the “Company”) increased the size of the Board to 15 members and elected Howard G. Buffett as a Director of the Company. Mr. Buffett was appointed to the Public Issues and Diversity Review Committee, effective January 1, 2011.

Mr. Buffett will participate in the Compensation and Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors of The Coca-Cola Company, dated effective as of January 1, 2009 (the “Compensation Plan”), pursuant to which in 2011 he will be entitled to annual compensation of \$175,000, of which, up to \$50,000 may be paid in quarterly installments in cash or deferred share units at Mr. Buffett’s discretion and the remaining \$125,000 will be paid in deferred share units. The Compensation Plan is described further on pages 35 to 39 of the Company’s proxy statement for its 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareowners filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 5, 2010.

A copy of the Company’s press release announcing the election of Mr. Buffett to the Board is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of The Coca-Cola Company, dated December 9, 2010, regarding Howard G. Buffett

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE COCA-COLA COMPANY
(REGISTRANT)

Date: December 9, 2010

By: /s/ Geoffrey J. Kelly
Geoffrey J. Kelly
Vice President and General Counsel

