

BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC  
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Registration No. 333-

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

**FORM S-8**  
**REGISTRATION STATEMENT**  
***UNDER***  
***THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933***

**Baxter International Inc.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction of**  
**incorporation or organization)**

**One Baxter Parkway**

**36-0781620**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
**Identification No.)**

**60015-4633**

**Deerfield, Illinois**  
**(Address of Principal Executive Offices)**

**(Zip Code)**

**Baxter International Inc. 2015 Incentive Plan**

**(Full Title of the Plan)**

**David P. Scharf**

**Corporate Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary**

**Baxter International Inc.**

**One Baxter Parkway, Deerfield, Illinois 60015-4633**

**(Name and address of agent for service)**

**224-948-2000**

**(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)**

Indicated by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

<b>Title of each class of securities to be registered</b>	<b>Amount to be registered</b>	<b>Proposed maximum offering price per share(2)</b>	<b>Proposed maximum aggregate offering price</b>	<b>Amount of registration fee</b>
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share	35,000,000	\$38.26	\$1,339,100,000	\$155,603.42

- (1) This Registration Statement also covers such indeterminable additional number of shares as may be issuable pursuant to the Baxter International Inc. 2015 Incentive Plan (the Plan ) by reason of any adjustments in the number of shares to prevent dilution from any future stock splits, stock dividends and similar transactions. This Registration Statement covers any such additional shares in accordance with Rule 416(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ).
- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act, on the basis of the high (\$38.77) and low (\$37.74) prices for the Common Stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on August 27, 2015.

**PART I**

**INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS**

As permitted by the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission), this Registration Statement omits certain information specified in Part I of Form S-8. The documents containing the information specified in Part I of this Registration Statement will be sent or given to eligible employees as specified in Rule 428(b)(1) promulgated under the Securities Act. Such documents are not being filed with the Commission either as part of this Registration Statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements pursuant to Rule 424 promulgated under the Securities Act.

**PART II**

**INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

**Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.**

The following documents filed by the Company with the Commission (File No. 001-04448) are hereby incorporated by reference:

- (a) The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014, filed with the Commission on February 26, 2015;
- (b) The Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2015 and June 30, 2015, filed with the Commission on May 6, 2015 and August 7, 2015, respectively;
- (c) The Company's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on January 9, 2015, March 25, 2015, May 7, 2015, June 10, 2015, June 23, 2015 and July 7, 2015; and
- (d) The description of the Company's Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share, contained in the registration statement filed with the Commission under Section 12 of the Exchange Act and any other amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

In addition, all reports and other documents subsequently filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities covered by this Registration Statement have been sold or which deregisters all such securities then remaining unsold shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference herein and to be a part hereof from the date of the filing of such reports and documents.

**Item 4. Description of Securities.**

Not applicable.

**Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.**

Not applicable.

**Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.**

Section 145 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, as amended, provides that under certain circumstances a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation or is or was serving at its request in such capacity in another corporation or business association, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and

amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if such person acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe such person's conduct was unlawful. The statute provides that indemnification pursuant to its provisions is not exclusive of other rights of indemnification to which a person may be entitled under any bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors, or otherwise. Article NINTH of the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation provides that the Company shall indemnify its and its subsidiaries' directors and officers against certain liabilities that may arise as a result of such service to the fullest extent permitted by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

The Company is also empowered by Section 102(b)(7) of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware to include a provision in its certificate of incorporation to limit under certain circumstances a director's liability to it or its stockholders for monetary damages for breaches of fiduciary duty as a director. Article EIGHTH of the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation states that to the fullest extent permitted by the General Corporation Law of Delaware as the same exists or may hereafter be amended, directors of the Company shall not be liable to it or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director. Under currently applicable Delaware law, directors will remain liable for damages for (i) a breach of their duty of loyalty to the Company and its stockholders; (ii) acts or omissions not in good faith; (iii) their intentional misconduct or knowing violation of law; (iv) unlawful dividend payments, stock repurchases or redemptions; and (v) any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

The Company maintains insurance policies under which its directors and officers are insured, within the limits and subject to the limitations of the policies, against certain expenses in connection with the defense of actions, suits or proceedings, and certain liabilities which might be imposed as a result of such actions, suits or proceedings, to which they are parties by reason of being or having been such directors or officers which could include liabilities under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.

The Company has entered into indemnification agreements with its officers and directors. These agreements provide for full indemnification, including indemnification for judgments or settlements against an officer or director in favor of the Company, with certain exceptions. This indemnity could apply to liabilities under the Securities Act in certain circumstances.

**Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.**

Not applicable.

**Item 8. Exhibits.**

A list of exhibits included as part of this Registration Statement is set forth in the Exhibit Index which is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9. Undertakings**

(a) The undersigned Company hereby undertakes:

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- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
  - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
  - (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the

foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this Registration Statement or any material change to such information in this Registration Statement. provided, however, that paragraphs (1)(i) and (1)(ii) above do not apply if the Registration Statement is on Form S-8 and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Company pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new Registration Statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) The undersigned Company hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Company's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act that is incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new Registration Statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Company pursuant to the provisions of the Company's articles of incorporation, by-laws or otherwise, the Company has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Company of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Company in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Company will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Deerfield, State of Illinois, on September 1, 2015.

BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.

By: /s/ Robert L. Parkinson Jr.  
Robert L. Parkinson, Jr.

Chief Executive Officer

Each person whose signature appears below hereby severally constitutes and appoints James K. Saccaro, David P. Scharf and Ellen K. McIntosh, and each of them acting singly, as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full and several power of substitution and resubstitution, to sign for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities indicated below, any and all amendments (including pre-effective and post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent or his or her substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Robert L. Parkinson, Jr. Robert L. Parkinson, Jr.	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	September 1, 2015
/s/ James K. Saccaro James K. Saccaro	Corporate Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	September 1, 2015
/s/ Sebastian J. Bufalino Sebastian J. Bufalino	Corporate Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	September 1, 2015
/s/ Thomas F. Chen Thomas F. Chen	Director	September 1, 2015
/s/ Uma Chowdhry, PhD.	Director	September 1, 2015

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Uma Chowdhry, Ph.D.

/s/ John D. Forsyth

Director

September 1,  
2015

John D. Forsyth

/s/ James R. Gavin III, M.D., PhD.

Director

September 1,  
2015

James R. Gavin III, M.D., Ph.D.

/s/ Peter S. Hellman

Director

September 1,  
2015

Peter S. Hellman

/s/ Carole J. Shapazian	Director	September 1, 2015
Carole J. Shapazian		
/s/ Thomas T. Stallkamp	Director	September 1, 2015
Thomas T. Stallkamp		
/s/ K. J. Storm	Director	September 1, 2015
K. J. Storm		
/s/ Albert P.L. Stroucken	Director	September 1, 2015
Albert P.L. Stroucken		

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on May 10, 2013).
3.2	Bylaws, as amended and restated on May 9, 2013 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on May 10, 2013).
10.1	Baxter International Inc. 2015 Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, filed on March 25, 2015).
5.1*	Opinion of Counsel.
15.1*	Acknowledgement of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.
23.1*	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.
23.2*	Consent of Counsel (included in Exhibit 5.1).
24.1*	Powers of Attorney (included on signature page to this Registration Statement).

\* Filed herewith