# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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): July 8, 2009

#### SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.

Virginia	1-15321	52-0845861
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

200 Commerce Street
Smithfield, Virginia
(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (757) 365-3000

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Regulation FD Disclosure.

On July 8, 2009 and July 9, 2009, C. Larry Pope, President and Chief Executive Officer of Smithfield Foods, Inc. (the "Company"), will make presentations discussing the Company to various buy-side analysts in New York, New York. The first presentation is scheduled to begin at 12:00 p.m., U.S. Eastern time, on July 8, 2009. The slides to be used in the presentations are furnished hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Slides to be used in the Company's presentations to various buy-side analysts in New York, New York on July 8, 2009 and July 9, 2009.

#### **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.

SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.

Date: July 8, 2009 /s/ Michael H. Cole

Michael H. Cole

Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

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