

J M SMUCKER Co  
Form 8-K  
April 04, 2016

**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): March 31, 2016**

**The J. M. Smucker Company**

**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)**

**Ohio**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction**  
**of Incorporation)**

**001-05111**  
**(Commission**  
**File Number)**

**34-0538550**  
**(IRS Employer**  
**Identification No.)**

**One Strawberry Lane**

**Orrville, Ohio** **44667-0280**  
**(Address of Principal Executive Offices)** **(Zip Code)**  
**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (330) 682-3000**

**Not Applicable**

**(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)**

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On March 31, 2016, The J. M. Smucker Company (the Company) entered into a share repurchase plan (the Plan) established in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), in connection with the 10,004,661 remaining common shares authorized for repurchase by the Company's Board of Directors as of the Company's fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2016. A Rule 10b5-1 plan allows a company to repurchase its shares at times when it otherwise might be unable to do so under the Exchange Act's insider trading rules or during self-imposed trading blackout periods.

The Plan will facilitate purchases of the Company's common shares under its authorized share repurchase program. Under the repurchase program, the Company repurchased 1,418,063 common shares between March 10, 2016 and March 31, 2016 and, therefore, the Company has remaining authorization to repurchase 8,586,598 common shares as of March 31, 2016. The Company's designated broker will have authority under the Plan to repurchase up to 2,000,000 of the remaining 8,586,598 common shares authorized for repurchase commencing on April 1, 2016 and expiring on May 31, 2016, unless terminated earlier in accordance with the terms of the Plan. Repurchases under the Plan will be subject to specified parameters and certain price and volume restraints as established in the Plan. Therefore, there is no guarantee as to the exact number of common shares that will be repurchased. Any repurchased shares will be held in treasury.

**SIGNATURE**

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 J. M. SMUCKER COMPANY**

By: /s/ Mark R. Belgya  
Mark R. Belgya  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 4, 2016