ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC Form POSASR October 29, 2008

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Registration No. 333-142342

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO

### FORM S-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# The Estée Lauder Companies Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

11-2408943

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

767 Fifth Avenue

New York, New York 10153

(212) 572-4200

(Address, Including Zip Code, and Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Registrant s Principal Executive Offices)

Sara E. Moss, Esq. Executive Vice President and General Counsel

The Estée Lauder Companies Inc.

767 Fifth Avenue

New York, New York 10153

(212) 572-4200

(Name, Address, Including Zip Code, and Telephone Number,

Including Area Code, of Agent for Service)

Copies to:

Matthew D. Bloch, Esq. Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP 767 Fifth Avenue New York, New York 10153

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: Not applicable.

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Pursuant to a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-142342) (the Registration Statement ) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission ) on April 25, 2007 by The Estée Lauder Companies Inc. (the Company ) and immediately declared effective upon filing with the SEC pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Company registered the offer and sale from time to time of \$750,000,000 aggregate principal amount the Company s debt securities.

On May 1, 2007, the Company sold \$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 5.550% Senior Notes due 2017 and \$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 6.000% Senior Notes due 2037 pursuant to the Registration Statement. The Company has decided to terminate the offering with respect to the remaining debt securities that are registered under the Registration Statement. Pursuant to the undertaking of the Company as required by Item 512(a)(3) of Regulation S-K, the Company is filing this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement to deregister the remaining \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of debt securities that would have otherwise remained available for sale under the Registration Statement as of the date hereof.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the undersigned registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of New York, State of New York, on October 29, 2008.

#### THE ESTÉE LAUDER COMPANIES INC.

By: /s/ RICHARD W. KUNES

Name: Richard W. Kunes

Title: Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on the 29th day of October, 2008.

Signature Title

\* Chief Executive Officer and William P. Lauder a Director (Principal

Executive Officer)

/s/ RICHARD W. KUNES Executive Vice President Richard W. Kunes and Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

\* Chairman of the Board of

Leonard A. Lauder Directors

\* Director

Charlene Barshefsky

\* Director Rose Marie Bravo

\* Director Paul J. Fribourg

\* Director

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\* Director Irvine O. Hockaday, Jr.

\* Director

Aerin Lauder

\* Director Ronald S. Lauder

\* Director

Richard D. Parsons

\* Director
Lynn Forester de Rothschild

\* Director

Barry S. Sternlicht

\*By: /s/ RICHARD W. KUNES
Richard W. Kunes, as Attorney-in-Fact

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