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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-3
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

AVERY DENNISON CORPORATION (EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

DELAWARE
(STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION OF INCORPORATION OR ORGANIZATION)

95-1492269 (I.R.S. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NO.)

150 NORTH ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD
PASADENA, CALIFORNIA 91103
(818) 304-2000

(ADDRESS, INCLUDING ZIP CODE, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE,
OF REGISTRANT'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)

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APPROXIMATE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PROPOSED SALE TO THE PUBLIC: From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement as determined in light of market conditions and other factors.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. [_]

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. [X]

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. [_]

If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. [_]

If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, please check the following box. [_]

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE PROPOSED PROPOSED PROPOSED MAXIMUM

TITLE OF EACH CLASS OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED	AMOUNT TO BE REGISTERED	MAXIMUM OFFERING PRICE PER UNIT*	AGGREGATE OFFERING PRICE*	AMOUNT OF REGISTRATION FEE
Debt Securities	\$150,000,000	100%**	\$150,000,000	\$45,455

Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee.

THE REGISTRANT HEREBY AMENDS THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON SUCH DATE OR DATES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DELAY ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNTIL THE REGISTRANT SHALL FILE A FURTHER AMENDMENT WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL THEREAFTER BECOME EFFECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8(a) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 OR UNTIL THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS THE COMMISSION, ACTING PURSUANT TO SAID SECTION 8(a), MAY DETERMINE.

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^{**} Exclusive of accrued interest, if any.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION DATED NOVEMBER 19, 1996

[LOGO OF AVERY DENNISON APPEARS HERE]

DEBT SECURITIES

Avery Dennison Corporation (the "Company") may offer, from time to time, debt securities consisting of debentures, notes and/or other unsecured evidences of indebtedness (the "Debt Securities") at an aggregate initial offering price not to exceed \$150,000,000, or, if the principal of the Debt Securities is payable in a foreign or composite currency, the equivalent thereof at the time of the offering. The Debt Securities may be offered as separate series and may be offered in amounts, at prices and on terms to be determined at the time of sale. When a particular series of Debt Securities (the "Offered Debt Securities") is offered, a supplement to this Prospectus (the "Prospectus Supplement") will be delivered with this Prospectus setting forth the terms of such Offered Debt Securities, including, if applicable, the specific designation, aggregate principal amount, denominations, currency, purchase price, maturity, interest rate (which may be fixed or variable) and time of payment of interest, redemption terms and any listing on a securities exchange of the Offered Debt Securities. All or a portion of the Debt Securities of a series may be issued in temporary or permanent global form.

THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES

AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION NOR HAS THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The Offered Debt Securities may be sold directly, through agents designated from time to time or through underwriters or dealers, which may be a group of underwriters represented by one or more firms, or through a combination of such methods. See "Plan of Distribution." If any agents of the Company or any underwriters or dealers are involved in the sale of the Offered Debt Securities, the names of such agents, underwriters or dealers and any applicable commissions or discounts will be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement.

This Prospectus may not be used to consummate sales of Debt Securities unless accompanied by a Prospectus Supplement.

The date of this Prospectus is

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AVAILABLE INFORMATION

The Company is subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and in accordance therewith files reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"). Such reports, proxy statements and other information can be inspected and copied at the public reference facilities maintained by the Commission at Room 1024, Judiciary Plaza, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, and at the following Regional Offices of the Commission: New York Regional Office, 7 World Trade Center, Suite 1300, New York, New York 10048; and Chicago Regional Office, Citicorp Center, 500 West Madison Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661. Copies of such materials can be obtained from the Public Reference Branch of the Commission at Room 1024, Judiciary Plaza, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549 at prescribed rates, or may be examined without charge at the offices of the Commission or accessed through the Commission's Internet address at http://www.sec.gov. Such material can also be inspected at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005 and the Pacific Stock Exchange Incorporated, 301 Pine Street, San Francisco, California 94104, on which exchanges the Company's common stock is listed.

This Prospectus constitutes a part of a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (together with all amendments and exhibits, referred to as the "Registration Statement") filed by the Company with the Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"). This Prospectus omits certain of the information contained in the Registration Statement in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission, and reference is hereby made to the Registration Statement for further information with respect to the Company and the Debt Securities offered hereby. Any statements contained herein concerning the provisions of any documents are not necessarily complete, and, in each instance, reference is made to such copy filed as a part of the Registration Statement or otherwise filed with the Commission. Each such statement is qualified in its entirety by such reference. The Registration Statement may be inspected without charge at the office of the Commission at Room 1024, Judiciary Plaza, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, and copies thereof may be obtained from the Commission at prescribed rates, or may be examined without charge at the offices of the Commission or accessed through the Commission's Internet address at http://www.sec.gov.

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The Company's (i) Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 30, 1995; (ii) Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 30, 1996; (iii) Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 29, 1996; (iv) Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 28, 1996; and (v) Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 24, 1996 are incorporated in and made a part of this Prospectus.

All documents filed by the Company with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of this Prospectus and prior to the termination of the offering of the Debt Securities shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Prospectus and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained herein or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in any subsequently filed document deemed to be incorporated herein or contained in the accompanying Prospectus Supplement modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of the Registration Statement or this Prospectus.

The Company will provide without charge to each person to whom a copy of this Prospectus is delivered, on the request of any such person, a copy of any or all of the documents incorporated herein by reference (other than exhibits to such documents, unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference into the documents that this Prospectus incorporates). Requests for such copies should be directed to the Secretary, Avery Dennison Corporation, 150 North Orange Grove Boulevard, Pasadena, California 91103; telephone (818) 304-2000.

THE COMPANY

The principal business of the Company is the production of self-adhesive materials. Some of these materials are "converted" into labels and other products through embossing, printing, stamping and die-cutting, and some are sold in unconverted form as base materials, tapes and reflective sheeting. The Company also manufactures and sells a variety of office products and other items not involving pressure-sensitive components, such as notebooks, three-ring binders, organizing systems, markers, glue sticks, fasteners, business forms, tickets, tags and imprinting equipment.

The Company manufactures and sells these products from 200 manufacturing facilities and sales offices located in 33 countries, and employs approximately 15,500 persons worldwide. Its principal corporate offices are located at 150 North Orange Grove Boulevard, Pasadena, California 91103 (telephone: (818) 304-2000).

The Company was founded in 1935 by R. Stanton Avery, the Founder and Chairman Emeritus, incorporated in California in 1946 and reincorporated in Delaware in 1977. On October 16, 1990, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company merged into Dennison Manufacturing Company ("Dennison"), Dennison became a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, and the Company changed its name from Avery International Corporation to Avery Dennison Corporation. References herein to the "Company" are to Avery Dennison Corporation and its subsidiaries, unless the context otherwise requires.

USE OF PROCEEDS

Except as may be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement, the Company intends to use the net proceeds from the sale of the Debt Securities to reduce domestic variable-rate short-term borrowings, some of which are classified as long-term debt, to reduce or retire from time to time other indebtedness and for other general corporate purposes.

RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth the Company's consolidated ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the periods shown.

						NINE MONTHS ENDED			
	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	SEPTEMBER 1995	30,	SEPTEMBER 2 1996	28,
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	2.7	3.1	3.2	3.9	4.6	4.5		5.7	

The ratios of earnings to fixed charges were computed by dividing earnings by fixed charges. For this purpose, "earnings" consist of income before income taxes plus fixed charges (excluding capitalized interest), and "fixed charges" consist of interest expense, capitalized interest, amortization of debt issuance costs and the portion of rent expense (estimated to be 40% for 1991 and 35% for 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, and for the nine months ended September 30, 1995 and September 28, 1996, respectively) on operating leases deemed representative of interest.

DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES

The Debt Securities are to be issued under an Indenture, dated as of March 15, 1991, between the Company and Security Pacific National Bank, as Trustee, as amended by a First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 16, 1993, between the Company and First Trust of New York, National Association, as successor Trustee (the "Trustee"), each of which is incorporated by reference as an exhibit to the Registration Statement (collectively, the "Indenture"). The following summary of certain general provisions of the Indenture and the Debt Securities does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture, including the definitions therein of certain terms. The particular terms of the Offered Debt Securities and the extent, if any, to which such general provisions may apply to the Offered Debt Securities will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such Offered Debt Securities.

GENERAL

The Indenture does not limit the amount of Debt Securities which may be issued thereunder and provides that Debt Securities may be issued thereunder up to the aggregate principal amount which may be authorized from time to time. The Debt Securities may be issued from time to time in one or more series. The Debt Securities will be unsecured and will rank on a parity with all other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness of the Company.

Debt Securities will be issued in fully registered form without coupons and may be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more global securities ("Global Securities").

Reference is made to the Prospectus Supplement relating to the particular series of Offered Debt Securities offered thereby for the following terms of the Offered Debt Securities: (i) the title and aggregate principal amount of the Offered Debt Securities; (ii) the price (expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount thereof) at which the Offered Debt Securities will be issued; (iii) the date or dates on which the Offered Debt Securities will mature; (iv) the rate or rates per annum, or the method for determining such rate or rates, if any, at which the Offered Debt Securities will bear interest; (v) the date from which such interest, if any, on the Offered Debt Securities will accrue, the dates on which such interest, if any, will be payable, the date on which payment of such interest, if any, will commence and the regular record dates for such interest payment dates; (vi) the place or places where the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, on the Offered Debt Securities shall be payable; (vii) any optional or mandatory sinking fund provisions; (viii) the date, if any, after which, or the period or periods, if any, within which, and the price or prices at which the Offered Debt Securities may, pursuant to any optional or mandatory redemption provisions, be redeemed at the option of the Company or the holder thereof and any other terms and provisions of such optional or mandatory redemptions; (ix) the denominations in which any Offered Debt Securities will be issuable if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof; (x) if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of Offered Debt Securities which will be payable upon declaration of acceleration of maturity thereof; (xi) any Events of Default with respect to the Offered Debt Securities, if not set forth in the Indenture; (xii) the currency or currencies, including composite currencies, in which payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, on the Offered Debt Securities will be payable (if other than the currency of the United States of America) which may be different for principal, premium, if any, and interest, if any; (xiii) if the principal of (and premium, if any), or interest, if any, on the Offered Debt Securities are to be payable, at the election of the Company or any holder thereof, in a currency or currencies other than that in which the Offered Debt Securities are stated to be payable, the period or periods within which, and the terms and conditions upon which, such election may be made; (xiv) if the amount of payments of principal of (and premium, if any), or interest, if any, on the Offered Debt Securities may be determined with reference to an index, the manner in which such amounts will be determined; (xv) whether such Offered Debt Securities are to be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global

Securities; (xvi) the application, if any, of certain provisions of the Indenture relating to defeasance and discharge, and certain conditions thereto; (xvii) any additional covenants or other material terms relating to the Offered Debt Securities (which may not be inconsistent with the Indenture); and (xviii) any Federal income tax consequences applicable to the Offered Debt Securities.

Unless otherwise indicated in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto, principal (and premium, if any) will be payable and the Debt Securities will be transferable at the corporate trust office of the Trustee in the City of New York, New York. Unless other arrangements are made, interest, if any, will be paid by checks mailed by first class mail to the holders of Debt Securities at their registered addresses. No service charge will be made for any transfer or exchange of the Debt Securities, but the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

One or more series of the Debt Securities may be issued as discounted Debt Securities (bearing no interest or interest at a rate which at the time of issuance is below market rates) to be sold at a substantial discount below their stated principal amount. Federal income tax consequences and other special considerations applicable to any such discounted Debt Securities will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto.

Indexed Debt Securities may be issued with the principal amount payable at maturity, or the amount of interest payable on an interest payment date, to be determined by reference to a currency exchange rate, composite currency, commodity price or other financial or non-financial index as set forth in the Pricing Supplement applicable thereto. Holders of indexed Debt Securities may receive a principal amount at maturity that is greater than or less than the face amount of such Debt Securities depending upon the value at maturity of the applicable index. Information as to the methods for determining the principal amount payable at maturity or the amount of interest payable on an interest payment date, as the case may be, any currency or commodity market to which principal or interest is indexed, foreign exchange and other risks and certain additional tax and other considerations with respect to indexed Debt Securities will be set forth in the Pricing Supplement applicable thereto.

The covenants of the Company under the Indenture, as described below, will not necessarily afford holders of the Debt Securities protection in the event of a highly leveraged transaction involving the Company, such as a leveraged buyout.

CERTAIN DEFINITIONS

"Attributable Debt" means, as to any particular lease under which any Person is at the time liable and at any date as of which the amount thereof is to be determined, the total net amount of rent required to be paid by such Person under such lease during the remaining primary term thereof, discounted from the respective due dates thereof to such date at the actual percentage rate inherent in such arrangement as determined in good faith by the Company. The net amount of rent required to be paid under any such lease for any such period shall be the aggregate amount of the rent payable by the lessee with respect to such period after excluding amounts required to be paid on account of maintenance and repairs, insurance, taxes, assessments, water rates and similar charges. In the case of any lease which is terminable by the lessee upon the payment of a penalty, such net amount shall also include the amount of such penalty, but no rent shall be considered as required to be paid under such lease subsequent to the first date upon which it may be so terminated.

"Consolidated Net Tangible Assets" means the aggregate amount of assets (less applicable reserves and other properly deductible items) less (i) all liabilities, other than deferred income taxes and Funded Debt and (ii) all goodwill, trade names, trademarks, patents, organizational expenses and other like intangibles, of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries and computed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

"Funded Debt" means (i) all indebtedness for money borrowed having a maturity of more than 12 months from the date as of which the determination is made or having a maturity of 12 months or less but by its terms being renewable or extendible beyond 12 months from such date at the option of the borrower and (ii) rental obligations payable more than 12 months from such date under leases which are capitalized in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (such rental obligations to be included as Funded Debt at the amount so capitalized and to be included for the purposes of the definition of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets both as an asset and as Funded Debt at the amount so capitalized).

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"Principal Property" means any real property owned at March 15, 1991 or thereafter acquired by the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company the gross book value (including related land and improvements thereon and all machinery and equipment included therein without deduction of any depreciation reserves) of which on the date as of which the determination is being made exceeds 2% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets other than (i) any property which in the opinion of the Board of Directors is not of material importance to the total business conducted by the Company and its Subsidiaries as an entirety or (ii) any portion of a particular property which is similarly found not to be of material importance to the use or operation of such property.

"Subsidiary" means a corporation, partnership or trust more than 50% of the outstanding voting stock of which, or similar ownership interest in which, is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company or by one or more other Subsidiaries, or by the Company and one or more other Subsidiaries.

RESTRICTIONS ON SECURED DEBT

If the Company or any Subsidiary shall incur, issue, assume or guarantee any evidence of indebtedness for borrowed money ("Debt") secured, after March 15, 1991, by a mortgage, pledge or lien ("Mortgage") on any Principal Property of the Company or any Subsidiary, or on any share of capital stock or Debt of any Subsidiary, the Company will secure or cause such Subsidiary to secure the Debt Securities equally and ratably with (or, at the Company's option, prior to) such secured Debt, so long as such secured Debt is so secured, unless, after giving effect thereto, the aggregate amount of all such secured Debt, together with all Attributable Debt of the Company and its Subsidiaries with respect to sale and leaseback transactions involving Principal Properties (with the exception of such transactions which are excluded as described in "Restrictions on Sales and Leasebacks" below), would not exceed 10% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets.

The above restriction will not apply to, and there will be excluded from secured Debt in any computation under such restriction, Debt secured by (a) Mortgages on property of the Company or any Subsidiary, or on any shares of capital stock of or Debt of any Subsidiary, existing on March 15, 1991, (b) Mortgages on property of, or on any shares of capital stock of or Debt of, any corporation existing at the time such corporation becomes a Subsidiary, (c) Mortgages in favor of the Company or any Subsidiary, (d) Mortgages in favor of governmental bodies to secure progress, advance or other payments pursuant to any contract or provision of any statute, (e) Mortgages on property, shares of capital stock or Debt existing at the time of acquisition thereof (including acquisition through merger or consolidation) and purchase money and construction Mortgages which are entered into within specified time limits, (f) Mortgages securing industrial revenue bonds, pollution control bonds or other similar types of bonds, (g) mechanics and similar liens arising in the ordinary course of business in respect of obligations not due or being contested in good faith, (h) Mortgages arising from deposits with, or the giving of any form of security to, any governmental agency required as a condition to the transaction of business or exercise of any privilege, franchise or license, (i) Mortgages for taxes, assessments or

governmental charges or levies which are not then delinquent or, if delinquent, are being contested in good faith, (j) Mortgages (including judgment liens) arising from legal proceedings being contested in good faith (and, in the case of judgment liens, execution thereof is stayed) and (k) any extension, renewal or replacement of any Mortgage referred to in the foregoing clauses (a) through (j) inclusive or any Debt secured thereby, provided that such extension, renewal or replacement will be limited to all or part of the same property, shares of capital stock or Debt that secured the Mortgage extended, renewed or replaced.

RESTRICTIONS ON SALES AND LEASEBACKS

Neither the Company nor any Subsidiary may, after March 15, 1991, enter into any sale and leaseback transaction involving any Principal Property, unless, after giving effect thereto, the aggregate amount of all Attributable Debt with respect to such transactions plus all Debt secured by Mortgages on Principal Properties, or on shares of capital stock or Debt of Subsidiaries (with the exception of secured Debt which is excluded as described in "Restrictions on Secured Debt" above), would not exceed 10% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets.

This restriction will not apply to, and there shall be excluded from Attributable Debt in any computation under such restriction, any sale and leaseback transaction if (a) the lease is for a period, including renewal rights, of not in excess of three years, (b) the sale or transfer of the Principal Property is made within a specified period after its acquisition or construction, (c) the lease secures or relates to industrial revenue bonds, pollution control bonds or other similar types of bonds, (d) the transaction is between the Company and a Subsidiary or between Subsidiaries, or (e) the Company or a Subsidiary, within 120 days after the sale or transfer shall have been made by the Company or by a Subsidiary, applies an amount equal to the greater of the net proceeds of the sale of the Principal Property leased pursuant to such arrangement or the fair market value of the Principal Property so leased at the time of entering into such arrangement (as determined in any manner approved by the Board of Directors) to (i) the retirement of the Debt Securities or other Funded Debt of the Company ranking on a parity with or senior to the Debt Securities, or the retirement of the securities or other Funded Debt of a Subsidiary; provided, however, that the amount to be applied to the retirement of such Funded Debt of the Company or a Subsidiary shall be reduced by (x) the principal amount of any Debt Securities (or other notes or debentures constituting such Funded Debt) delivered within such 120-day period to the Trustee or other applicable trustee for retirement and cancellation and (y) the principal amount of such Funded Debt, other than items referred to in the preceding clause (x), voluntarily retired by the Company or a Subsidiary within 120 days after such sale; and provided further, that notwithstanding the foregoing, no retirement referred to in this clause (i) may be effected by payment at maturity or pursuant to any mandatory sinking fund payment or any mandatory prepayment provision, or (ii) the purchase of other property which will constitute a Principal Property having a fair market value, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, at least equal to the fair market value of the Principal Property leased in such sale and leaseback transaction.

RESTRICTIONS ON THE PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS AND OTHER PAYMENTS

The Company may not declare or pay any dividends or make any distributions on its capital stock (except in shares of, or warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase shares of, capital stock of the Company), nor may the Company or any Subsidiary make any payment to retire or acquire shares of such stock, at a time when a payment default described in clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of "Events of Default" below has occurred and is continuing.

MERGER AND CONSOLIDATION

The Company covenants that it will not merge, consolidate or sell, convey, transfer or lease its properties or assets substantially as an entirety and the Company will not permit any Person to consolidate with or merge into the Company unless, among other things, (a) the successor Person is

the Company or another corporation, partnership or trust which assumes the Company's obligations on the Debt Securities and under the Indenture, (b) after giving effect to such transaction, the Company or the successor Person would not be in default under the Indenture and (c) if, as a result of any such consolidation or merger or such conveyance, transfer or lease, properties or assets of the Company would become subject to an encumbrance which would not be permitted by the Indenture, the Company or such successor Person takes such steps as are necessary effectively to secure the Debt Securities equally and ratably with (or, at the option of the Company, prior to) all indebtedness secured thereby.

EVENTS OF DEFAULT

The Indenture defines "Events of Default" with respect to the Debt Securities of any series as being one of the following events: (i) default in the payment of any installment of interest on that series for 30 days after becoming due; (ii) default in the payment of principal of (or premium, if any, on) that series when due; (iii) default in the deposit of any sinking fund payment on that series when due; (iv) default in the performance or breach of any other covenant or warranty of the Company in the Debt Securities of that series or the Indenture (other than a covenant or warranty included in the Indenture solely for the benefit of any series of Debt Securities other than that series) for 60 days after notice to the Company by the Trustee or to the Company and the Trustee by the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Debt Securities of such series; (v) default under any mortgage, indenture (including the Indenture) or instrument under which there is issued, or which secures or evidences, any indebtedness for borrowed money of the Company or any Subsidiary existing as of March 15, 1991 or thereafter created, which default shall constitute a failure to pay principal of such indebtedness in an amount exceeding \$10,000,000 when due and payable (other than as a result of acceleration), after expiration of any applicable grace period with respect thereto, or shall have resulted in an aggregate principal amount of such indebtedness exceeding \$10,000,000 becoming or being declared due and payable prior to the date on which it would otherwise have become due and payable, without such indebtedness having been discharged or such acceleration having been rescinded or annulled within a period of 10 days after notice to the Company by the Trustee or to the Company and the Trustee by the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Debt Securities of such series; (vi) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization; and (vii) any other Event of Default provided with respect to Debt Securities of that series. If an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing with respect to the Debt Securities of any series, either the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the Debt Securities then outstanding of that series may declare the principal (or such portion thereof as may be specified in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series) of the Debt Securities of such series to be immediately due and payable.

The Indenture provides that the Trustee shall, within 90 days after the occurrence of a default with respect to Debt Securities of a series, give the holders of such Debt Securities of such series notice of all uncured defaults known to it (the term default to mean the events specified above without grace periods); provided that, except in the case of default in the payment of principal of (or premium, if any) or interest, if any, on any Debt Security of such series or in the payment of any sinking fund installment with respect to Debt Securities of such series, the Trustee shall be protected in withholding such notice if it in good faith determines that the withholding of such notice is in the interest of the holders of Debt Securities of such series.

The Company will be required to furnish to the Trustee annually a statement by certain officers of the Company stating whether or not, to the best of their knowledge, the Company is in default in the performance and observance of any of the terms, provisions and conditions of certain covenants contained in the Indenture and, if the Company is in default, specifying all such defaults and the nature and status thereof of which they may have knowledge.

The holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Debt Securities of any series will have the right, subject to certain limitations, to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee with respect to the Debt Securities of such series, and to waive certain defaults with respect thereto. The Indenture provides that in case an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, the Trustee shall exercise such of its rights and powers under the Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise, as a prudent man would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his own affairs. Subject to such provisions, the Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the Indenture at the request of any of the holders of Debt Securities unless they shall have offered to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred by it in compliance with such request.

MODIFICATION OF THE INDENTURE

With certain exceptions, the Indenture may be modified or amended with the consent of the holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Debt Securities of each series affected by the modification; provided, however, that no such modification or amendment may be made, without the consent of the holder of each Debt Security affected, which would (i) reduce the principal amount of or the interest on any Debt Security, change the stated maturity of the principal of, or any installment of interest on, any Debt Security, or the other terms of payment thereof, or (ii) reduce the above-stated percentage of Debt Securities, the consent of the holders of which is required to modify or amend the Indenture, or the percentage of Debt Securities of any series, the consent of the holders of which is required to waive certain past defaults.

DEFEASANCE AND COVENANT DEFEASANCE

Under the Indenture, the Company may elect to discharge (a "defeasance") its obligations with respect to the outstanding Debt Securities of a series (other than certain obligations to the Trustee and the Company's obligations with respect to the registration, transfer and exchange of Debt Securities, mutilated, destroyed, lost and stolen Debt Securities, the maintenance of an office or agency in the place of payment for such series and the treatment of funds held by Paying Agents), or may elect to be released from the restrictions described under "Restrictions on Secured Debt", "Restrictions on Sales and Leasebacks" and "Restrictions on the Payment of Dividends and Other Payments" above and any other provisions identified in the accompanying Prospectus Supplement ("covenant defeasance") if, among other things, (i) the Company has irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee (or other satisfactory trustee), as trust funds for the payment of such Debt Securities, money or U.S. Government Obligations (as defined in the Indenture), or a combination thereof, which through the scheduled payment of principal and interest will provide money in an amount sufficient, without reinvestment, to pay and discharge at maturity or redemption the entire amount of principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, on such Debt Securities and any mandatory sinking fund payments or analogous payments applicable to the outstanding Debt Securities of such series; (ii) no Event of Default or event which with notice or lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default with respect to such Debt Securities shall have occurred and be continuing on the date of such deposit and, for certain purposes, at any time during the period ending on the 123rd day after the date of deposit, or any longer preference period; (iii) such defeasance or covenant defeasance shall not cause the Trustee to have a conflicting interest as referred to in the Indenture; (iv) such defeasance or covenant defeasance will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, the Indenture or other material agreements or instruments of the Company or cause the Debt Securities, if listed on a national securities exchange, to be delisted; and (v) the Company provides the Trustee with an opinion of counsel to the effect that the holders of the Debt Securities of such series will not recognize income, gain or loss for Federal income tax purposes as a result of such covenant defeasance or defeasance, as the case may be, and will be subject to Federal

income tax on the same amounts and at the same times as would have been the case if such covenant defeasance or defeasance, as the case may be, had not occurred and, in the case of a defeasance, such opinion is based upon a ruling issued by the Internal Revenue Service or a change in the applicable Federal income tax law since the date of the Indenture to that effect.

CONCERNING THE TRUSTEE

First Trust of New York, National Association is the Trustee under the Indenture and has been appointed by the Company as initial Security Registrar (as defined in the Indenture) with regard to the Debt Securities.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

GENERAL

The Company may sell Offered Debt Securities (i) to or through underwriters or dealers; (ii) through agents; (iii) directly to purchasers; or (iv) through a combination of any such methods of sale. Any such underwriter, dealer or agent may be deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of the 1933 Act. The Prospectus Supplement relating to the Offered Debt Securities sets forth their offering terms, including the name or names of any underwriters, dealers or agents, the purchase price of the Offered Debt Securities and the proceeds to the Company from such sale, any discounts, commissions and other items constituting compensation, any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallowed or paid to dealers and any securities exchanges on which the Offered Debt Securities may be listed.

If underwriters are used in the sale, the Offered Debt Securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed, or at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, or at prices related to such prevailing market prices, or at negotiated prices. The Offered Debt Securities may be offered to the public either through underwriting syndicates represented by one or more managing underwriters or directly by one or more of such firms. Unless otherwise set forth in the Prospectus Supplement, the obligations of the underwriters to purchase the Offered Debt Securities will be subject to certain conditions precedent and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all the Offered Debt Securities if any are purchased. Any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallowed or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

Under agreements which may be entered into by the Company, underwriters, dealers and agents who participate in the distribution of Offered Debt Securities may be entitled to indemnification or contribution by the Company against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the 1933 Act.

The specific terms and manner of sale of Offered Debt Securities will be set forth or summarized in the Prospectus Supplement.

If so indicated in the Prospectus Supplement, the Company will authorize underwriters or other persons acting as the Company's agents to solicit offers by certain institutions to purchase Offered Debt Securities from the Company pursuant to contracts providing for payment and delivery on a future date. Institutions with which such contracts may be made include commercial and savings banks, insurance companies, pension funds, investment companies, educational and charitable institutions and others, but in all cases will be subject to acceptance by the Company. The obligations of any purchaser under any such contracts will be subject to the condition that the purchase of Offered Debt Securities shall not at the time of delivery be prohibited under the laws of the jurisdiction to which such purchaser is subject. The underwriters and such other persons will not have any responsibility in respect of the validity or performance of such contracts.

LEGAL OPINIONS

The validity of the Debt Securities will be passed upon for the Company by Latham & Watkins, and for the underwriters, dealers or agents, if any, by O'Melveny & Myers LLP, unless otherwise specified in the Prospectus Supplement.

EXPERTS

The consolidated balance sheet of the Company as of December 30, 1995 and December 31, 1994, and the related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 30, 1995, incorporated by reference in this Prospectus, have been incorporated herein in reliance on the report, which includes an explanatory paragraph regarding the Company's adoption of the provisions of the Financial Accounting Standards Board's Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 106, "Employers' Accounting for Postretirement Benefits Other Than Pensions", SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes" and SFAS No. 112, "Employers' Accounting for Postemployment Benefits" during 1993, of Coopers & Lybrand L.L.P., independent accountants, given on the authority of that firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

NO PERSON HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE CONTAINED OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT, ANY PRICING SUPPLEMENT OR THE PROSPECTUS IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFER MADE BY THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT, ANY PRICING SUPPLEMENT AND THE PROSPECTUS AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATIONS MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON AS HAVING BEEN AUTHORIZED. THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT, ANY PRICING SUPPLEMENT AND THE PROSPECTUS DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR SOLICITATION BY ANYONE IN ANY STATE IN WHICH SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION IS NOT AUTHORIZED OR IN WHICH THE PERSON MAKING SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION IS NOT QUALIFIED TO DO SO OR TO ANYONE TO WHOM IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION. NEITHER THE DELIVERY OF THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT, ANY PRICING SUPPLEMENT AND THE PROSPECTUS NOR ANY SALE MADE HEREUNDER AND THEREUNDER SHALL UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES CREATE AN IMPLICATION THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE AFFAIRS OF THE COMPANY SINCE THE DATE HEREOF OR THEREOF.

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DEBT SECURITIES

PROSPECTUS

PART II

INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

ITEM 14. OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION.*

Securities and Exchange Commission filing fee	\$ 45,455
Printing and engraving fees and expenses	10,000
Trustee fees and expenses	5,000
Legal fees and expenses	55,000
Accounting fees and expenses	38,000
Rating agency fees	60,000
"Blue Sky" fees and expenses, including legal fees	8,000
Miscellaneous other expenses	
Total	\$225,000
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ITEM 15. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

Section 145 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware provides that a corporation shall have the power, and in some cases is required, to indemnify an agent, including an officer or director, who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any proceedings, against certain expenses, judgments, fines, settlements and other amounts under certain circumstances. Article VI of the Registrant's Bylaws requires indemnification of the Registrant's officers and directors to the maximum extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, and the Registrant maintains insurance covering certain liabilities of the directors and officers of the Registrant and its subsidiaries. The Registrant has also entered into contractual arrangements with its directors and officers pursuant to which such persons may be entitled to indemnity from the Registrant against certain liabilities arising from the discharge of their duties in such capacities.

ITEM 16. EXHIBITS.

- 4.1 Indenture, dated as of March 15, 1991, between Avery Dennison Corporation and Security Pacific National Bank, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4 to Avery Dennison's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 33-39491)). First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 16, 1993, between Avery
- Dennison Corporation and BankAmerica National Trust Company, as successor Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to Avery Dennison's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 33-59642)).
- Opinion of Counsel to the Company re: legality.
- Statement re: Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges for the 12 five years ended December 30, 1995 and the nine months ended September 28, 1996 and September 30, 1995.
- 23(a) Consent of Counsel to the Company (included in Exhibit 5).
- 23(b) Consent of Coopers & Lybrand L.L.P. (see Page II-5).
- Power of Attorney (included in the signature page of this Registration 24 Statement).
- Statement of Eligibility and Qualification on Form T-1. 25

All expenses are estimates except the Securities and Exchange Commission filing fee.

- (a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:
- (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 of 1933;
 - (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;
 - (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

Provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-3 or Form S-8 or Form F-3, and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to section 13 or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, 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 registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to section 13(a) or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the 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 of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant 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 registrant 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 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-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Pasadena, State of California, on November 19, 1996.

AVERY DENNISON CORPORATION

By /s/ R. Gregory Jenkins

R. Gregory Jenkins Senior Vice President, Finance 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 and on the dates indicated. Each person whose signature appears below hereby authorizes Charles D. Miller, Philip M. Neal and R. Gregory Jenkins, or any of them, as attorney-in-fact, with full power of substitution, to sign on his or her behalf, individually and in each capacity stated below, and to file any amendments, including post-effective amendments or supplements, to this Registration Statement.

SIGNATURES	TITLE 	DATE
/s/ Charles D. Miller	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer; Director	November 19, 1996
Charles D. Miller	•	
/s/ Philip M. Neal	President and Chief Operating Officer; Director	November 19, 1996
Philip M. Neal	•	
/s/ R. Gregory Jenkins	Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer	November 19, 1996
R. Gregory Jenkins	(Principal Financial Officer)	
/s/ Thomas E. Miller	Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	November 19, 1996
Thomas E. Miller		
/s/ Dwight L. Allison, Jr.	Director	November 19, 1996
Dwight L. Allison, Jr.		
/s/ John C. Argue	Director	November 19, 1996
John C. Argue		
/s/ Joan T. Bok	Director	November 19, 1996
Joan T. Bok		

SIGNATURES		TITLE	DAT	ſΕ 	
/s/ Frank V. Cahouet	Director		November	19,	1996
Frank V. Cahouet /s/ Richard M. Ferry	Director		November	10	1006
Richard M. Ferry			November	19,	1990
/s/ Peter W. Mullin	Director		November	19,	1996
Peter W. Mullin /s/ Sidney R. Petersen	Director		November	19.	1996
Sidney R. Petersen				,	
/s/ John B. Slaughter	Director		November	19,	1996
John B. Slaughter					

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-3 of our report, which includes an explanatory paragraph regarding the Company's adoption of the provisions of the Financial Accounting Standards Board's Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 106, "Employers' Accounting for Postretirement Benefits Other Than Pensions", SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes" and SFAS No. 112, "Employers' Accounting for Postemployment Benefits" during 1993, dated January 30, 1996, appearing on page 53 of the Avery Dennison 1995 Annual Report to Shareholders and incorporated by reference in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Avery Dennison Corporation for the year ended December 30, 1995, on our audits of the consolidated financial statements of Avery Dennison Corporation; and of our report dated January 30, 1996, appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Avery Dennison Corporation for the year ended December 30, 1995, on our audits of the financial statement schedules listed in the index on page S-1 of the Form 10-K. We also consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Experts."

COOPERS & LYBRAND L.L.P.

Los Angeles, California November 19, 1996

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November 19, 1996

Avery Dennison Corporation 150 North Orange Grove Boulevard Pasadena, California 91103

> Re: \$150,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of Debt Securities of Avery Dennison Corporation

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as your counsel in connection with the issuance and sale from time to time of up to \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of debt securities (the "Securities") pursuant to that certain Indenture, dated as of March 15, 1991, between Avery Dennison Corporation (the "Company") and Security Pacific National Bank, as Trustee, as amended by that certain First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 16, 1993, between the Company and BankAmerica National Trust Company, which was acquired by First Trust of New York, National Association, as successor trustee (the "Trustee") (collectively, the "Indenture"). The Securities are to be registered on the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (the "Registration Statement"), filed by the Company on November 19, 1996, under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"). We are familiar with the proceedings taken, and are familiar with the additional proceedings proposed to be taken, by you in connection with the authorization, issuance and sale of the Securities. We have examined the Registration Statement and the Indenture under which the Securities are to be issued.

Based on the foregoing, and in reliance thereon, and subject to the assumptions, qualifications and limitations set forth herein, it is our opinion that the Securities have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of the

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Company and when the final terms of a particular Security and of its issuance and sale have been duly established in conformity with the Indenture, and when such Security has been duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered by the Company, and paid for as contemplated, such Security will be a valid, binding and enforceable obligation of the Company entitled to the benefits provided by the Indenture.

Our opinion is subject to the following limitations, qualifications and exceptions: (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws, or equitable principles, relating to or limiting the rights of creditors generally; (b) the use of the term enforceable shall not imply any opinion as to the availability of specific performance, injunctive relief or other equitable remedies; (c) we advise you that a California court may not strictly enforce certain covenants contained in the Indenture or allow acceleration of the maturity of the indebtedness evidenced by the Securities if it concludes that such enforcement or acceleration would be unreasonable under the then existing circumstances; (d) certain rights, remedies and waivers contained in the Indenture or Securities may be limited or rendered ineffective by applicable California laws or judicial decisions governing such provisions, but such laws or judicial decisions do not render the Indenture or the Securities invalid or unenforceable as a whole; and (e) applicable California laws or judicial decisions may require that a judgment for money damages rendered in the United States be expressed in United States dollars.

We consent to the incorporation by reference of this opinion in the Registration Statement.

Very truly yours,

LATHAM & WATKINS

AVERY DENNISON CORPORATION COMPUTATION OF RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES (Dollars in Millions)

	Fiscal Year				Nine Months Ended		
	1991	1992 	1993			1995 	1996
Earnings: Income before taxes	\$104.8	\$130.2	\$132.2	\$172.9	\$224.7	\$198.0	\$165.7
Add: Fixed charges*	59.8	60.0	60.4	60.0	62.1	42.3	46.9
Amortization of capitalized interest	.8	.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.2
Less: Capitalized interest	(5.1)	(2.6)	(2.3)	(2.7)	(3.2)	(2.6)	(2.4)
	\$160.3 =====	\$188.5 =====	\$191.3 =====	\$231.3 =====	\$284.8 =====	\$239.1 =====	\$211.4 =====
*Fixed Charges Interest expense	\$ 37.5	\$ 42.3	\$ 43.2	\$ 43.0	\$ 44.3	\$ 28.4	\$ 33.7
Capitalized interest	5.1	2.6	2.3	2.7	3.2	2.6	2.4
Amortization of debt issuance costs	.2	.3	.3	.4	.8	. 4	.5
Interest portion of leases	17.0	14.8	14.6	13.9	13.8	10.9	10.3
	\$ 59.8 =====	\$ 60.0 =====	\$ 60.4 =====	\$ 60.0 =====	\$ 62.1 =====	\$ 42.3 =====	\$ 46.9 =====
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges	2.7	3.1	3.2	3.9	4.6	5.7	4.5

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY AND QUALIFICATION UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 305(b)(2)___

FIRST TRUST OF NEW YORK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

> 13-3781471 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

100 Wall Street, New York, NY 10005 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

FOR INFORMATION, CONTACT: Dennis Calabrese, President First Trust of New York, National Association 100 Wall Street, 16th Floor New York, NY 10005 (212) 361-2502

AVERY DENNISON CORPORATION (Exact name obligor as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

95-1492269 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

150 North Orange Grove Boulevard Pasadena, California (Address of principal executive offices)

91103 (Zip Code)

Debt Securities (Title of the indenture securities)

Item 1. GENERAL INFORMATION.

Furnish the following information as to the trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Name Address

Comptroller of the Currency Washington D.C.

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

Yes

Item 2. AFFILIATIONS WITH OBLIGOR

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each such affiliation.

None

Item 16. LIST OF EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 1 Articles of Association of First Trust of New York, National Association, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 1 of Form T-1, Registration No. 33-8377 4.
- Exhibit 2 Certificate of Authority to Commence Business for First Trust of New York, National Association, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 2 of Form T-1, Registration No. 33-83774.
- Exhibit 3 Authorization of the Trustee to exercise corporate trust powers for First Trust of New York, National Association, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3 of Form T-1, Registration No. 33-83774.
- Exhibit 4 By-Laws of First Trust of New York, National Association, Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4 of Form T-1, Registration No. 33-55851.
- Exhibit 5 Not applicable.
- Exhibit 6 Consent of First Trust of New York, National Association, required by Section 321(b) of the Act, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 6 of Form T-1, Registration No. 33-83774.
- Exhibit 7 Report of Condition of First Trust of New York, National Association, as of the close of business on September 30, 1996, published pursuant to law or the requirements of its supervising or examining authority.

Exhibit 8 Not applicable.

Exhibit 9 Not applicable.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the trustee, First Trust of New York, National Association, a national banking association organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, has duly caused this statement of eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in The City of New York and State of New York, on the 19th day of November, 1996.

FIRST TRUST OF NEW YORK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By: /s/ Geovanni Barris
Geovanni Barris
Assistant Vice President

FIRST TRUST OF NEW YORK, N.A. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF 9/30/96

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ASSETS	9/30/96
Cash and Due From Depository Institutions Federal Reserve Stock Fixed Assets Intangible Assets Other Assets	\$ 31,930 3,658 738 81,749 5,710
TOTAL ASSETS	\$123,785 ======
LIABILITIES	
Other Liabilities	6,826
TOTAL LIABILITIES	6,826
EQUITY Common and Preferred Stock Surplus Undivided Profits TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL	1,000 120,932 (4,973) \$123,785 ======

To the best of the undersigned's determination, as of this date the above financial information is true and correct.

First Trust of New York, N.A.

By: /s/ Geovanni Barris

Geovanni Barris

Assistant Vice President

Date: November 19, 1996