# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM S-8

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 (626) 304-2000

(Address, including ZIP code, and telephone number, including area code of Registrant's principal executive offices)

# AVERY DENNISON CORPORATION EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION AND INCENTIVE PLAN, AMENDED AND RESTATED

Copies to:

Robert G. van Schoonenberg, Esq. Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary Avery Dennison Corporation 150 North Orange Grove Boulevard Pasadena, California 91103 (626) 304-2000

(Name, address, including ZIP code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service) Thomas W. Dobson, Esq. Latham & Watkins LLP 633 West Fifth Street Suite 4000 Los Angeles, California 90071 (213) 485-1234

### **CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

TITLE OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED	AMOUNT OF SHARES TO BE REGISTERED	PROPOSED MAXIMUM OFFERING PRICE PER SHARE (1)	PROPOSED MAXIMUM AGGREGATE OFFERING PRICE	AMOUNT OF REGISTRATION FEE
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	4,500,000	\$51.12	\$230,017,500	\$27,073.06
(including the Preferred Share Purchase Rights) (2)				

- (1) For purposes of computing the registration fee only. Pursuant to Rule 457(h), the Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share is based upon the average of the high and low prices for the Company's Common Stock on the composite tape for the New York Stock Exchange on April 26, 2005.
- 2) The Rights are attached to and traded with the Common Stock of the Company. The value attributable to such Rights, if any, is reflected in the market price of the Common Stock.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

Avery Dennison Corporation (the "Company") is filing this Registration Statement pursuant to General Instruction E of Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") to register an additional 4,500,000 shares of the Company's common stock which may be issued under the Company's Employee Stock Option and Incentive Plan, amended and restated April 28, 2005. Such shares are additional securities of the same class as other securities for which previous registration statements on Form S-8 were filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on July 25, 2003 (File No. 333-107371), July 1, 1994 (File No. 033-54411) and June 24, 1991 (File No. 033-41238).

PART I

Item 1. Plan Information

Not required to be filed with this Registration Statement.

Item 2. Registrant Information and Employee Plan Annual Information

Not required to be filed with this Registration Statement.

PART II

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference

The following documents filed with the Commission by Avery Dennison Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company" or the "Registrant"), are incorporated as of their respective dates in this Registration Statement by reference:

- A. The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 1, 2005;
- B. All other reports filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a) and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 since January 1, 2005; and
- C. The description of the Company's common stock and the preferred share purchase rights contained in the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed with the Commission on November 5, 2004 (No. 333-120239).

All documents filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and are a part hereof from the date of filing such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein 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 this Registration Statement.

#### 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 Delaware (the "DGCL") empowers Avery Dennison Corporation ("Avery Dennison") to indemnify, subject to the standards set forth therein, any person who is a party to any action in connection with any action, suit or proceeding brought or threatened by reason of the fact that the person was a director, officer, employee or agent of Avery Dennison, or is or was serving as such with respect to another entity at the request of Avery Dennison. The DGCL also provides that Avery Dennison may purchase insurance on behalf of any such director, officer, employee or agent. Article VI of our Bylaws provides that Avery Dennison will indemnify any person to whom, and to the fullest extent, indemnification may be required or permitted under Section 145 of the DGCL. We maintain insurance covering certain liabilities of our directors and officers. We have also entered into contractual arrangements with our directors and officers pursuant to which such persons may be entitled to indemnity from us against certain liabilities arising from the discharge of their duties in such capacities.

## Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed

Not applicable.

## Item 8. Exhibits

- 4.1 Avery Dennison Corporation Employee Stock Option and Incentive Plan, amended and restated (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19.6 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 1, 2005).
- 5.1 Opinion of Latham & Watkins LLP.
- 23.1 Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.
- 23.2 Consent of Latham & Watkins LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
- 24 Power of Attorney (included on page S-1).

## Item 9. Undertakings

- (a) The 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 this 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 this Registration Statement;
- (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 (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) shall not apply to information 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 this 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 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 this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, 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 Securities Act of 1933 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 Securities Act of 1933 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 Pasadena, State of California, on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005.

# AVERY DENNISON CORPORATION

By: /s/ Daniel R. O'Bryant

Daniel R. O'Bryant Executive Vice President, Finance 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 and on the dates indicated. Each person whose signature appears below hereby authorizes Philip M. Neal, Dean A. Scarborough, Daniel R. O'Bryant and Michael A. Skovran, or any of them, as attorney-in-fact, with full power of substitution, to sign on his or her behalf, individually and in such capacity stated below, and to file any amendments, including post-effective amendments or supplements, to this Registration Statement.

SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE	
/s/ Philip M. Neal	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Director	April 28, 2005	
Philip M. Neal	Officer, Director		
/s/ Dean A. Scarborough	President and Chief Operating Officer, Director	April 28, 2005	
Dean A. Scarborough	Officer, Director		
/s/ Robert G. van Schoonenberg	Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary	April 28, 2005	
Robert G. van Schoonenberg	Counsel and Secretary		
/s/ Daniel R. O'Bryant	Executive Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer	April 28, 2005	
Daniel R. O'Bryant	(Principal Financial Officer)		
/s/ Michael A. Skovran	Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	April 28, 2005	
Michael A. Skovran	(Finicipal Accounting Officer)		

/s/ Peter K. Barker	Director	April 28, 2005
Peter K. Barker	-	
/s/ Rolf Borjesson	Director	April 28, 2005
Rolf Borjesson	-	
/s/ John T. Cardis	Director	April 28, 2005
John T. Cardis	_	
/s/ Richard M. Ferry	Director	April 28, 2005
Richard M. Ferry		
/s/ Kent Kresa	Director	April 28, 2005
Kent Kresa		
/s/ Peter W. Mullin	Director	April 28, 2005
Peter W. Mullin		
/s/ David E. I. Pyott	Director	April 28, 2005
David E. I. Pyott		
/s/ Patrick T. Siewert	Director	April 28, 2005
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/s/ Julia A. Stewart	Director	April 28, 2005
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Avery Dennison Corporation 150 North Orange Grove Boulevard Pasadena, California 91103

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8 for Avery Dennison Corporation

Employee Stock Option and Incentive Plan, Amended and Restated

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special counsel to Avery Dennison Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the registration of 4,500,000 shares of common stock, \$1.00 par value per share (the "Shares"), issuable under the Company's Employee Stock Option and Incentive Plan, Amended and Restated (the "Plan"), pursuant to a registration statement on Form S–8 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on April 29, 2005 (the "Registration Statement"). This opinion is being furnished in accordance with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Act, and no opinion is expressed herein as to any matter pertaining to the contents of the Registration Statement, other than as to the validity of the Shares.

As such counsel, we have examined such matters of fact and questions of law as we have considered appropriate for purposes of this letter. With your consent, we have relied upon the foregoing and upon certificates and other assurances of officers of the Company and others as to factual matters without having independently verified such factual matters.

We are opining herein only as to General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, and we express no opinion with respect to the applicability thereto, or the effect thereon, of any other laws.

Subject to the foregoing, it is our opinion that, as of the date hereof, when certificates representing the Shares (in the form of the specimen certificate examined by us) have been manually signed by an authorized officer of the transfer agent and registrar therefor, and have been delivered to and paid for in the circumstances contemplated by the Plan and the granting agreements pursuant thereto, the issuance and sale of the Shares will have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action of the Company, and the Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

This opinion is for your benefit in connection with the Registration Statement and may be relied upon by you and by persons entitled to rely upon it pursuant to the applicable provisions of federal securities laws. We consent to your filing this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Latham & Watkins LLP

# CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our report dated March 11, 2005 relating to the financial statements, management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, which appears in the 2004 Annual Report to Shareholders of Avery Dennison Corporation, which is incorporated by reference in Avery Dennison Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 1, 2005. We also consent to the incorporation by reference of our report dated March 11, 2005 relating to the financial statement schedule, which appears in such Annual Report on Form 10-K.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Los Angeles, California April 28, 2005