## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM S-8 Registration Statement

under The Securities Act of 1933

### NEWELL RUBBERMAID INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

36-3514169 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)

Three Glenlake Parkway
Atlanta, Georgia 30328
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Newell Rubbermaid Inc. 2010 Stock Plan (Full title of each plan)

John K. Stipancich
Senior Vice President – General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
Newell Rubbermaid Inc.
Three Glenlake Parkway
Atlanta, Georgia 30328
(Name and address of agent for service)

(770) 418-7000 (Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

With a copy to:

Lauralyn G. Bengel Schiff Hardin LLP 233 South Wacker Drive 66th Floor Chicago, Illinois 60606 (312) 258-5670

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange	1 0 1	y. See
Large accelerated filer ⊠	Accelerated filer	
Non-accelerated filer ☐ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company	

#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be registered	Proposed maximum offering price per share	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price	Amount of registration fee
Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share	21,000,000(1)	\$16.42(2)	\$344,820,000(2)	\$24,585.67(2)

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416 of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement shall also cover any additional shares of Common Stock which become issuable under the Plan pursuant to this Registration Statement by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or any other similar transaction which results in an increase in the number of the Registrant's outstanding shares of Common Stock.
- (2) Estimated on the basis of \$16.42 per share, the average of the high and low sales prices of the Registrant's Common Stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on May 14, 2010 solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) and (h) of the Securities Act of 1933.

#### PART II

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents filed by Newell Rubbermaid Inc. (the "Registrant") are incorporated herein by reference:

- (a) The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009;
- (b) The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2010;
- (c) The Registrant's current reports on Form 8-K filed since December 31, 2009; and
- (d) The description of the Registrant's Common Stock contained in the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 8-B filed on June 30, 1987.

All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant or the Plan 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 hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference herein and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents.

#### 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 102 of the Delaware law allows a corporation to eliminate the personal liability of a director to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except in cases where the director breached his or her duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, failed to act in good faith, engaged in intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of the law, willfully or negligently authorized the unlawful payment of a dividend or approved an unlawful stock redemption or repurchase or obtained an improper personal benefit. The Registrant's Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws contain a provision which eliminates directors' personal liability as set forth above.

The Restated Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Registrant provide in effect that the Registrant shall indemnify its directors and officers to the extent permitted by the Delaware law. Section 145 of the Delaware law provides that a Delaware corporation has the power to indemnify its directors, officers, employees and agents in certain circumstances. Subsection (a) of Section 145 of the Delaware law empowers a corporation to indemnify any director, officer, employee or agent, or former director, officer, employee or agent, who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation), against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred in connection with such action, suit or proceeding provided that such director, officer, employee or agent acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, provided that such director, officer, employee or agent had no reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.

Subsection (b) of Section 145 of the Delaware law empowers a corporation to indemnify any director, officer, employee or agent, or former director, officer, employee or agent, who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that such person acted in any of the capacities set forth above, against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit provided that such person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, except that no indemnification may be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery shall determine that despite the adjudication of liability such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the court shall deem proper.

Section 145 further provides that to the extent that a director or officer or employee of a corporation has been successful in the defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to in subsections (a) and (b) or in the defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, he or she shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection therewith; that indemnification provided by Section 145 shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which the party seeking indemnification may be entitled; and the corporation is empowered to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation against any liability asserted against him or her or incurred by him or her in any such capacity or arising out of his or her status as such whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify him or her against such liabilities under Section 145; and that, unless indemnification is ordered by a court, the determination that indemnification under subsections (a) and (b) of Section 145 is proper because the director, officer, employee or agent has met the applicable standard of conduct under such subsections shall be made by (1) a majority vote of the directors who are not parties to such action, suit or proceeding, even though less than a quorum, or (2) if there are no such directors, or if such directors so direct, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion, or (3) by the stockholders.

The Registrant has in effect insurance policies for general officers' and directors' liability insurance covering all of the Registrant's officers and directors.

#### Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

#### Item 8. Exhibits.

The exhibits filed herewith or incorporated by reference herein are set forth in the Exhibit Index filed as part of this registration statement hereof.

#### Item 9. Undertakings.

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; and
- (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 (i) and (ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or 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.

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 each filing of the 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.

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**

The Registrant. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all 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 Atlanta, State of Georgia, on the  $12^{th}$  day of May, 2010.

#### NEWELL RUBBERMAID INC.

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Mark D. Ketchum

Mark D. Ketchum President and Chief Executive Officer

Each person whose signature appears below appoints John K. Stipancich or Michael R. Peterson or any one of them, as such person's true and lawful attorneys to execute in the name of each such person, and to file, any pre-effective or post-effective amendments to this Registration Statement that any of such attorneys shall deem necessary or advisable to enable the Registrant to comply with the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and any rules, regulations and requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect thereto, in connection with this Registration Statement, which amendments may make such changes in such Registration Statement as any of the above-named attorneys deems appropriate, and to comply with the undertakings of the Registrant made in connection with this Registration Statement; and each of the undersigned hereby ratifies all that any of said attorneys shall do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
/s/ Mark D. Ketchum Mark D. Ketchum	President, Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Director	May 12, 2010
/s/ Juan R. Figuereo Juan R. Figuereo	Executive Vice President – Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	May 12, 2010
/s/ John B. Ellis John B. Ellis	Vice President – Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	May 12, 2010
/s/ Thomas E. Clarke Thomas E. Clarke	Director	May 12, 2010
/s/ Scott S. Cowen Scott S. Cowen	Director	May 12, 2010
/s/ Michael T. Cowhig Michael T. Cowhig	Chairman of the Board and Director	May 12, 2010

<u>SIGNATURE</u>		TITLE	DATE
/s/ Domenico De Sole Domenico De Sole	Director		May 12, 2010
/s/ Elizabeth Cuthbert-Millett Elizabeth Cuthbert-Millett	Director		May 12, 2010
/s/ Cynthia A. Montgomery Cynthia A. Montgomery	Director		May 12, 2010
/s/ Michael B. Polk Michael B. Polk	Director		May 12, 2010
/s/ Steven J. Strobel Steven J. Strobel	Director		May 12, 2010
/s/ Michael A. Todman Michael A. Todman	Director		May 12, 2010
/s/ Raymond G. Viault Raymond G. Viault	Director		May 12, 2010

### INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit

Number	<u>Exhibit</u>
4.1	Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Newell Rubbermaid Inc., as amended as of May 6, 2008 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2008).
4.2	By-Laws of Newell Rubbermaid Inc., as amended (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 12, 2008).
4.3	Newell Rubbermaid Inc. 2010 Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 11, 2010).
5	Opinion of Schiff Hardin LLP.
23.1	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
23.2	Consent of Schiff Hardin LLP (contained in the Opinion filed as Exhibit 5).
24	Power of Attorney (set forth on the signature page).
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May 12, 2010

Securities and Exchange Commission Judiciary Plaza 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20549

Re: Newell Rubbermaid Inc.

**Registration Statement on Form S-8** 

We have acted as counsel to Newell Rubbermaid Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the Company's filing of a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") covering the registration of 21,000,000 shares of its Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share (the "Common Stock"), issuable pursuant to the Newell Rubbermaid Inc. 2010 Stock Plan (the "Plan") in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

In that capacity, we have considered such questions of law and have examined such documents necessary for the purpose of this opinion. Upon the basis of such examination, it is our opinion that those shares of Common Stock that are originally issued shares will be, when issued and sold as contemplated by the Registration Statement and in accordance with the Plan, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

The foregoing opinion is limited to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, which includes those statutory provisions and all applicable provisions of the Delaware Constitution and the reported judicial decisions interpreting such laws, and we express no opinions with respect to the laws of any other jurisdiction. The opinion expressed in this opinion letter is as of the date of this opinion letter only and as to laws covered hereby only as they are in effect on that date, and we assume no obligation to update or supplement such opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may come to our attention after that date or any changes in law that may occur or become effective after that date.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement.

Very truly yours,

SCHIFF HARDIN LLP

By: /s/ Lauralyn Bengel

#### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333- ) pertaining to the Newell Rubbermaid Inc. 2010 Stock Plan of our reports dated March 1, 2010, with respect to the consolidated financial statements and schedule of Newell Rubbermaid Inc. included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2009, and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Newell Rubbermaid Inc. filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young

May 19, 2010 Atlanta, Georgia