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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

# FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

**UNDER** 

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# CHEMTURA CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

**52-2183153** (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

1818 Market Street, Suite 3700, Philadelphia, PA

19103

199 Benson Road, Middlebury, CT (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

06749 (Zip Code)

Chemtura Corporation 2012 Employee Stock Purchase Plan

(Full title of the plan)

Billie S. Flaherty

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

**Chemtura Corporation** 

199 Benson Road

Middlebury, CT 06749

(203) 573-2000

 $(Name\ and\ address\ of\ agent\ for\ service\ and\ telephone\ number, including\ area\ code,\ of\ agent\ for\ service)$ 

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check one):

Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer " (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

		Proposed	Proposed	
	Amount	maximum	maximum	
	to be	offering price	aggregate	
Title of securities to be registered Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	registered (1) 1,000,000	per share(2) \$14.13	offering price (2) \$14,130,000	Amount of registration fee \$1,620

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ), this Registration Statement shall also cover any additional shares of common stock which become issuable under the above-named plan by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or any other similar transaction effected without the receipt of consideration which results in an increase in the number of the outstanding shares of common stock.
- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee in accordance with Rule 457(h) of the Securities Act. The proposed maximum aggregate offering price is calculated pursuant to Rule 457(c) and Rule 457(h) under the Securities Act on the basis of \$14.13 per share, the average of the high and low sale prices of our common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on May 18, 2012.

#### PART I

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

#### Item 1. Plan Information.

The documents containing the information specified in Part I will be delivered in accordance with Form S-8 and Rule 428(b) under the Securities Act. Such documents are not required to be, and are not, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission ), either as part of this Registration Statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act. These documents, and the documents incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement pursuant to Item 3 of Part II of this Form S-8, taken together, constitute a prospectus that meets the requirements of Section 10(a) of the Securities Act.

#### Item 2. Registrant Information and Employee Plan Annual Information.

The written statement required by Item 2 of Part I is included in documents delivered to participants in the plan covered by this registration statement pursuant to Rule 428(b) of the Securities Act.

#### PART II

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

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

The following documents, which have been filed by Chemtura Corporation. (the Company ) with the Commission, are incorporated in this Registration Statement by reference:

our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, as amended by Form 10-K/A filed on April 30, 2012;

our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2012;

our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on February 28, 2012 and May 14, 2012; and

the description of the Company s common stock contained in the Company s Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on November 4, 2010, as the same may be amended.

All reports and other documents subsequently filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act (other than Current Reports on Form 8-K furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of Form 8-K, including any exhibits included with such information, unless otherwise indicated therein) after the date of this Registration Statement, but 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.

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 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(a) of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the DGCL) empowers a Delaware corporation to indemnify any persons who are, or are threatened to be made, parties to any threatened, pending or completed legal action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of such corporation), by reason of the fact that such person is or was an officer, director, employee or agent of such corporation, or is or was serving at the request of such corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys fees) judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, provided that such officer, director, employee or agent acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation s best interests, and, for criminal proceedings, had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful. Section 145(b) of the DGCL provides that a Delaware corporation may indemnify officers and directors in an action by or in the right

of the corporation under the same conditions, except that no indemnification is permitted without judicial approval if the officer or director is adjudged to be liable to the

corporation. Where an officer or director is successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of any action referred to above, the corporation must indemnify him or her against the expenses which such officer or director actually and reasonably incurred.

Section 145(g) of the DGCL provides that a corporation shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director or officer of the corporation against any liability asserted against the person in any such capacity, or arising out of the person s status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify the person against such liability under the provisions of the DGCL.

In accordance with Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that the directors of the Company shall not be personally liable to the Company or its stockholders for monetary damages for violations of their fiduciary duty, except (i) for any breach of the director s fiduciary duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) pursuant to Section 174 of the DGCL (providing for liability of directors for unlawful payment of dividends or unlawful stock purchases or redemptions), or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation will contain provisions permitted by Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides for indemnification of the officers and directors of the Company to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL.

The forgoing is only a general summary of certain aspects of Delaware law and the registrant sorganizational documents dealing with indemnification of directors and officers and does not purport to be complete. It is qualified in its entirety by reference to the applicable provisions of the DGCL and of the Company someoned and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws.

In addition, the Company s directors and officers are covered by insurance indemnifying them against certain liabilities which might be incurred by them in their capacities as such, including certain liabilities under the Securities Act.

## Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

#### Item 8. Exhibits.

Reference is made to the attached Exhibit Index, which is incorporated by reference herein.

#### Item 9. Undertakings.

- (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 the Registration Statement:
- (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
- (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. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in

the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective 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;

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(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 with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, 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; and
- (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, each filing of the Company's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the 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 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 Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities 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 Securities 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-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Middlebury, State of Connecticut, on May 21, 2012.

#### CHEMTURA CORPORATION

By: /s/ Stephen C. Forsyth Name: Stephen C. Forsyth Title: Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned directors and officers of Chemtura Corporation hereby constitute and appoint Stephen C. Forsyth and Billie S. Flaherty, and each of them, with full power to act without the other and with full power of substitution and re-substitution, our true and lawful attorneys-in-fact, each with full power to execute in our name and behalf in the capacities indicated below any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments and amendments thereto) to this registration statement (or any other registration statement for the same offering that is to be effective upon filing pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission and hereby ratify and confirm each and every act and thing that such attorneys-in-fact, or any of them, or their substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

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 on May 21, 2012.

	Signature	Title
/s/	Craig A. Rogerson Craig A. Rogerson	Chairman of the Board, President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)
/s/	Stephen C. Forsyth Stephen C. Forsyth	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)
/s/	Kevin V. Mahoney Kevin V. Mahoney	Senior Vice President and Corporate Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)
/s/	Jeffrey D. Benjamin Jeffrey D. Benjamin	Director

/s/ Timothy J. Bernlohr Timothy J. Bernlohr	Director
/s/ Anna C. Catalano Anna C. Catalano	Director
/s/ Alan S. Cooper Alan S. Cooper	Director
/s/ James W. Crownover James W. Crownover	Director
/s/ Robert A. Dover Robert A. Dover	Director
/s/ Jonathan F. Foster Jonathan F. Foster	Director
/s/ John K. Wulff John K. Wulff	Director

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
4.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Chemtura Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Chemtura s Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on November 9, 2010).
4.2	Bylaws of Chemtura Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Chemtura s Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on November 9, 2010).
5.1	Opinion of Kirkland & Ellis LLP.
23.1	Consent of KPMG LLP.
23.2	Consent of Kirkland & Ellis LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on the signature page of this registration statement).
99.1	Chemtura Corporation 2012 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.