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Dated June 5, 2012 to
Prospectus dated September 15, 2011

DEERE & COMPANY

2.600% Notes due 2022
3.900% Notes due 2042

Term Sheet dated June 5, 2012

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| Issuer: | Deere & Company | |
| Trade Date: | June 5, 2012 | |
| Type of Offering: | SEC registered | |
| Expected Ratings*: | Moody's Investors Service, Inc.: A2; Standard & Poor's Ratings Services: A | |
| Settlement Date: | June 8, 2012 | |
| Security: | 2.600% Notes due 2022 (the 2022 Notes) | 3.900% Notes due 2042 (the 2042 Notes) |
| Size: | \$1,000,000,000 | \$1,250,000,000 |
| Maturity Date: | June 8, 2022 | June 9, 2042 |
| Interest Payment Dates: | June 8 and December 8, beginning on December 8, 2012 | June 9 and December 9, beginning on December 9, 2012 |
| Benchmark Treasury: | 1.750% UST due May 15, 2022 | 3.125% UST due February 15, 2042 |
| Benchmark Treasury Yield and Price: | 1.579%; 101-18 | 2.642%; 109-28+ |
| Yield to Maturity: | 2.629% | 3.942% |
| Spread to Benchmark Treasury: | 105 basis points | 130 basis points |

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| Coupon (Interest Rate): | 2.600% per year | 3.900% per year |
| Price to Public: | 99.746% of principal amount, plus accrued interest, if any, from June 8, 2012 | 99.265% of principal amount, plus accrued interest, if any, from June 8, 2012 |
| Optional Redemption: | On or after March 8, 2022, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the 2022 Notes to be redeemed, plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption. | On or after December 9, 2041, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the 2042 Notes to be redeemed, plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption. |
| CUSIP: | 244199BE4 | 244199BF1 |
| Joint Book-Running Managers: | <p>Citigroup Global Markets Inc.</p> <p>Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. J.P. Morgan Securities LLC</p> <p>Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated</p> | |
| Senior Co-Managers: | <p>Barclays Capital Inc.</p> <p>Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC</p> <p>Goldman, Sachs & Co.</p> <p>HSBC Securities (USA) Inc.</p> <p>Mitsubishi UFJ Securities (USA), Inc.</p> <p>RBC Capital Markets, Inc.</p> | |
| Co-Managers: | <p>BNP Paribas Securities Corp.</p> <p>BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC</p> <p>Fifth Third Securities, Inc.</p> <p>Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC</p> <p>Santander Investment Securities Inc.</p> <p>Standard Chartered Bank</p> <p>TD Securities (USA) LLC</p> <p>U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc.</p> <p>Wells Fargo Securities, LLC</p> | |

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