

DOLE FOOD CO INC  
Form 8-K  
June 11, 2013

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C.

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)**  
**of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report: June 11, 2013**

**DOLE FOOD COMPANY, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
  
of Incorporation)

**1-4455**  
(Commission  
  
File Number)

**99-0035300**  
(IRS Employer  
  
Identification No.)

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One Dole Drive

Westlake Village, California 91362

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (818) 879-6600

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Section 8. Other Events**

**Item 8.01. Other Events**

On June 11, 2013, Dole Food Company, Inc. issued a press release to report that its Board of Directors has received an unsolicited proposal from David H. Murdock, Dole's Chairman of the Board and CEO, to acquire all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Dole Food Company, Inc. not already owned by Mr. Murdock or his family for \$12.00 per share in cash. The text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

**Section 9. Financial Statement and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits:

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: June 11, 2013

**DOLE FOOD COMPANY, INC.**  
REGISTRANT

By:

/s/ C. MICHAEL CARTER  
C. Michael Carter  
*President and Chief Operating Officer*

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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**Description**

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