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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM S-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

*Under*

*THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933*

### NIKE, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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

**93-0584541**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

**One Bowerman Drive**

**Beaverton, Oregon 97005-6453**

**(503) 671-6453**

(Address and telephone number of Registrant's principal executive offices)

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**Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public:**

From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement, as determined by the Registrant.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. ☐

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. ☒

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. ☐

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. ☐

If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box. ☒

If this Form is a post-effective amendment to a registration statement filed pursuant to General Instruction I.D. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box. ☐

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 ☒

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

Accelerated filer ☐

Smaller reporting company ☐

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

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	Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(1)	Amount of Registration Fee
Debt Securities(2)			
Total		(3)	(4)

(1) Securities may be issued in U.S. dollars or the equivalent thereof in foreign currency or currency units.

(2) Debt securities may be issued in primary offerings or upon conversion of another series of debt securities registered hereby.

(3) This registration statement covers an unspecified amount of debt securities up to a maximum aggregate offering price of \$760,000,000.

(4) The registrant is deferring payment of the registration fee in accordance with Rules 456(b) and 457(r).

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**PROSPECTUS**

**\$760,000,000**

**NIKE, Inc.**

**Debt Securities**

This Prospectus provides you with a general description of our debt securities which we may offer and sell from time to time up to \$760,000,000 aggregate initial offering price. These debt securities may consist of notes, debentures or other types of debt. We will provide specific terms of these debt securities in Supplements to this Prospectus. You should read this Prospectus and any Prospectus Supplement carefully before you invest.

We may offer securities directly to investors, through agents designated from time to time by us, or to or through underwriters or dealers. If any agents, underwriters, or dealers are involved in the sale of securities, their names, and any applicable purchase price, fee, commission, or discount arrangement with, between, or among them, will be set forth, or will be calculable from the information set forth, in an accompanying Prospectus Supplement.

**Investing in our securities involves various risks. See Risk Factors on page 4 as well as the risk factors contained in documents we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission and which are incorporated by reference in this Prospectus.**

These securities have not been approved or disapproved by the Securities and Exchange Commission or any state securities commission, nor have these organizations determined that this Prospectus is accurate or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this Prospectus is December 22, 2008.

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**ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS**

This Prospectus is part of an automatic shelf registration statement that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a Well-Known Seasoned Issuer as described in Rule 405 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, utilizing a shelf registration process. This Prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we sell securities, we will provide a Prospectus Supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering. The Prospectus Supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this Prospectus. You should read both this Prospectus and any Prospectus Supplement together with additional information described under the heading Where You Can Find More Information.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Prospectus and any accompanying Prospectus Supplement. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information different from that contained in this Prospectus or any accompanying Prospectus Supplement. We are offering to sell the securities, and seeking offers to buy the securities, only in jurisdictions where offers and sales are permitted. The information contained in this Prospectus and any accompanying Prospectus Supplement is accurate only as of the date of this Prospectus and the date of any accompanying Prospectus Supplement, regardless of the time of delivery of this Prospectus or any sales of the securities. When we deliver this Prospectus, we are not implying that the information is current as of the date of the delivery or sale. In this Prospectus and any accompanying Prospectus Supplement, unless otherwise indicated, NIKE, the Company, we, us and our refer to NIKE, Inc. and its predecessors, subsidiaries, and affiliates.

**NIKE**

Our principal business activity is the design, development and worldwide marketing of high quality footwear, apparel, equipment, and accessory products. NIKE is the largest seller of athletic footwear and athletic apparel in the world. We sell our products to retail accounts, through NIKE-owned retail including stores and internet sales, and through a mix of independent distributors and licensees, in over 180 countries around the world. Virtually all of our products are manufactured by independent contractors. Virtually all footwear and apparel products are produced outside the United States, while equipment products are produced both in the United States and abroad.

We were incorporated in 1968 under the laws of the state of Oregon. Our principal executive offices are located at One Bowerman Drive, Beaverton, Oregon 97005-6453, and our telephone number is (503) 671-6453.

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**WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION**

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission. You can inspect and copy, at prescribed rates, these reports, proxy statements and other information at the Public Reference Room of the Securities and Exchange Commission at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the Securities and Exchange Commission at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the Public Reference Rooms. Our filings are available over the internet at the Securities and Exchange Commission's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov), as well as our web site at [www.nikebiz.com](http://www.nikebiz.com). You can inspect reports and other information we file at the office of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., 11 Wall Street, New York, New York 10005.

We have filed a registration statement and related exhibits with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The registration statement contains additional information about us and the securities. You may inspect the registration statement and exhibits without charge at the office of the Securities and Exchange Commission at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549, and you may obtain copies from the Securities and Exchange Commission at prescribed rates.

The Securities and Exchange Commission allows us to incorporate by reference the information we file with it, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is an important part of this Prospectus, and information that we file later with the Securities and Exchange Commission will automatically update and supersede that information. We incorporate by reference the following documents we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Securities and Exchange Commission file number 1-10635) (other than information in such documents that is deemed not to be filed):

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended May 31, 2008 (including information specifically incorporated by reference into our Form 10-K from our Proxy Statement for our 2008 Annual Meeting of Shareholders);

Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q dated October 6, 2008;

Current Report on Form 8-K dated July 24, 2008;

Current Report on Form 8-K dated September 21, 2008; and

all documents filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of this Prospectus and before we stop offering the securities (other than information in such documents that is deemed not to be filed).

Each person to whom a copy of this Prospectus is delivered may request a copy of these filings (other than exhibits to such filings, unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference herein) at no cost, by writing or telephoning us at the following address:

Investor Relations

NIKE, Inc.

One Bowerman Drive

Beaverton, Oregon 97005-6453

(503) 671-6453

You should rely only on the information incorporated by reference or provided in this Prospectus and any Prospectus Supplement. We have not authorized anyone else to provide you with different information.





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**FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

Certain written and oral statements included or incorporated by reference into this Prospectus and any Prospectus Supplement, other than purely historical information, including estimates, projections, statements relating to NIKE's business plans, objectives and expected operating results, and the assumptions upon which those statements are based, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, any statement that may predict, forecast, indicate, or imply future results, performance, or achievements, and may contain the words believe, anticipate, expect, estimate, project, will be, will continue, or words or phrases of similar meaning. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties which may cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements. The risks and uncertainties are detailed from time to time in reports filed by NIKE with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including Forms 8-K, 10-Q, and 10-K, and include, among others, the following: international, national and local general economic and market conditions; the size and growth of the overall athletic footwear, apparel, and equipment markets; intense competition among designers, marketers, distributors and sellers of athletic footwear, apparel, and equipment for consumers and endorsers; demographic changes; changes in consumer preferences; popularity of particular designs, categories of products, and sports; seasonal and geographic demand for NIKE products; difficulties in anticipating or forecasting changes in consumer preferences, consumer demand for NIKE products, and the various market factors described above; difficulties in implementing, operating, and maintaining NIKE's increasingly complex information systems and controls, including, without limitation, the systems related to demand and supply planning, and inventory control; interruptions in data and communications systems; fluctuations and difficulty in forecasting operating results, including, without limitation, the fact that advance futures orders may not be indicative of future revenues due to the changing mix of futures and at-once orders, currency exchange rate fluctuations, order cancellations, and the fact that a significant portion of our revenue is not derived from futures orders; the ability of NIKE to sustain, manage or forecast its growth and inventories; the size, timing and mix of purchases of NIKE's products; increases in the cost of materials and energy used to manufacture products, new product development and introduction; the ability to secure and protect trademarks, patents, and other intellectual property; performance and reliability of products; customer service; adverse publicity; the loss of significant customers or suppliers; dependence on distributors; business disruptions; increased costs of freight and transportation to meet delivery deadlines; increases in borrowing costs due to any decline in our debt ratings; changes in business strategy or development plans; general risks associated with doing business outside the United States, including without limitation, import duties, tariffs, quotas, political and economic instability, and terrorism; changes in government regulations; liability and other claims asserted against NIKE; the ability to attract and retain qualified personnel; and other factors referenced or incorporated by reference in this report and other reports. Moreover, NIKE operates in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment. New risk factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for management to predict all such risk factors, nor can it assess the impact of all such risk factors on NIKE's business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. Given these risks and uncertainties, investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a prediction of actual results.

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**RISK FACTORS**

Investment in any securities offered pursuant to this Prospectus involves risks. You should carefully consider the risk factors incorporated by reference from our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, any subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q or Current Report on Form 8-K we file after the date of this Prospectus, and all other information contained or incorporated by reference into this Prospectus, as updated by our subsequent filings under the Exchange Act, and the risk factors and other information contained in the applicable Prospectus Supplement before acquiring any of such securities. The occurrence of any of these risks might cause you to lose all or part of your investment in the offered securities. Please also refer to the section above entitled Forward-Looking Statements.

**RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES**

Our ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the periods indicated are as follows:

	Fiscal Year Ended May 31,					Three Months Ended
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	August 31, 2008
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges(1)	24.7	30.5	29.3	29.1	34.3	40.8

- (1) In accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, for purposes of computing the ratios of earnings to fixed charges, earnings represent income from operations before fixed charges and taxes, and is exclusive of capitalized interest. Fixed charges represent interest on indebtedness, amortization of debt discount and one-third of rental expense which is deemed to be representative of the interest factor. Interest expense includes interest both expensed and capitalized.

**USE OF PROCEEDS**

Unless we indicate otherwise in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, we intend to use the net proceeds from the sale of the securities for general corporate purposes, which may include, but are not limited to, refinancing of debt, working capital, capital expenditures and investments in subsidiaries.

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**DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES**

This Prospectus describes certain general terms and provisions of our debt securities. When we offer to sell a particular series of debt securities, we will describe the specific terms of the series in a supplement to this Prospectus. We will also indicate in the supplement whether the general terms and provisions described in this Prospectus apply to a particular series of debt securities.

We may offer under this Prospectus up to \$760,000,000 aggregate principal amount of debt securities, or if debt securities are issued at a discount, or in a foreign currency or composite currency, such principal amount as may be sold for an initial public offering price of up to \$760,000,000. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the debt securities will represent our direct, unsecured obligations and will rank equally with all of our other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness.

The debt securities offered hereby will be issued under an indenture between us and Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (successor in interest to The First National Bank of Chicago) as trustee. We have summarized select portions of the indenture below. The summary is not complete. We have filed a copy of the indenture as an exhibit to the registration statement and you should read the indenture for provisions that may be important to you. In the summary below, we have included references to the section numbers of the indenture so that you can easily locate these provisions. Capitalized terms used in the summary below have the meanings specified in the indenture.

When we refer to we, our, us and NIKE in this section, we mean NIKE, Inc. excluding, unless the context otherwise requires or as otherwise expressly stated, our subsidiaries.

**General**

The terms of each series of debt securities will be established by or pursuant to a resolution of our Board of Directors and detailed or determined in the manner provided in an officers' certificate or by a supplemental indenture. (Section 2.2) The particular terms of each series of debt securities will be described in a Prospectus Supplement relating to the series, including any pricing supplement.

We can issue an unlimited amount of debt securities under the indenture that may be in one or more series with the same or various maturities, at par, at a premium, or at a discount. We will set forth in a Prospectus Supplement (including any pricing supplement) relating to any series of debt securities being offered, the initial offering price, the aggregate principal amount and the following terms of the debt securities:

the title of the debt securities;

the price or prices (expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount) at which we will sell the debt securities;

any limit on the aggregate principal amount of the debt securities;

the date or dates on which we will pay the principal on the debt securities;

the rate or rates (which may be fixed or variable) per annum or the method used to determine the rate or rates (including any commodity, commodity index, stock exchange index or financial index) at which the debt securities will bear interest, the date or dates from which interest will accrue, the date or dates on which interest will commence and be payable and any regular record date for the interest payable on any interest payment date;

the place or places where principal of, premium, and interest on the debt securities will be payable, or the method of such payment;

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the terms and conditions upon which we may redeem the debt securities;

any obligation we have to redeem or purchase the debt securities pursuant to any sinking fund or analogous provisions or at the option of a holder of debt securities;

the dates on which and the price or prices at which we will repurchase the debt securities at the option of the holders of debt securities and other detailed terms and provisions of these repurchase obligations;

the denominations in which the debt securities will be issued, if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof;

whether the debt securities will be issued in the form of certificated debt securities or global debt securities;

the portion of principal amount of the debt securities payable upon declaration of acceleration of the maturity date, if other than the principal amount;

the currency of denomination of the debt securities;

the designation of the currency, currencies or currency units in which payment of principal of, premium and interest on the debt securities will be made;

if payments of principal of, premium or interest on the debt securities will be made in one or more currencies or currency units other than that or those in which the debt securities are denominated, the manner in which the exchange rate with respect to these payments will be determined;

the manner in which the amounts of payment of principal of, premium or interest on the debt securities will be determined, if these amounts may be determined by reference to an index based on a currency or currencies other than that in which the debt securities are denominated or designated to be payable or by reference to a commodity, commodity index, stock exchange index or financial index;

any provisions relating to any security provided for the debt securities;

any addition to or change in the Events of Default described in this Prospectus or in the indenture with respect to the debt securities and any change in the acceleration provisions described in this Prospectus or in the indenture with respect to the debt securities;

any addition to or change in the covenants described in this Prospectus or in the indenture with respect to the debt securities;

any other terms of the debt securities, which may modify or delete any provision of the indenture as it applies to that series; and

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any depositaries, interest rate calculation agents, exchange rate calculation agents or other agents with respect to the debt securities.  
(Section 2.2)

In addition, the indenture does not limit our ability to issue convertible or subordinated debt securities. Any conversion or subordination provisions of a particular series of debt securities will be set forth in the officers' certificate or supplemental indenture related to that series of debt securities and will be described in the relevant Prospectus Supplement. Such terms may include provisions for conversion, either mandatory, at the option of the holder or at our option, in which case the number of shares of common stock or other securities to be received by the holders of debt securities would be calculated as of a time and in the manner stated in the Prospectus Supplement.

We may issue debt securities that provide for an amount less than their stated principal amount to be due and payable upon declaration of acceleration of their maturity pursuant to the terms of the indenture. We will provide you with information on the federal income tax considerations and other special considerations applicable to any of these debt securities in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

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If we denominate the purchase price of any of the debt securities in a foreign currency or currencies or a foreign currency unit or units, or if the principal of and any premium and interest on any series of debt securities is payable in a foreign currency or currencies or a foreign currency unit or units, we will provide you with information on the restrictions, elections, general tax considerations, specific terms and other information with respect to that issue of debt securities and such foreign currency or currencies or foreign currency unit or units in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

### **Transfer and Exchange**

Each debt security will be represented by either one or more global securities registered in the name of The Depository Trust Company, as Depositary (the "Depositary"), or a nominee of the Depositary (we will refer to any debt security represented by a global debt security as a "book-entry debt security"), or a certificate issued in definitive registered form (we will refer to any debt security represented by a certificated security as a "certificated debt security"), as described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. Except as described under "Global Debt Securities and Book-Entry System" below, book-entry debt securities will not be issuable in certificated form.

***Certificated Debt Securities.*** You may transfer or exchange certificated debt securities at the trustee's office or paying agencies in accordance with the terms of the indenture. No service charge will be made for any transfer or exchange of certificated debt securities, but we may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection with a transfer or exchange.

You may transfer certificated debt securities and the right to receive the principal of, premium and interest on certificated debt securities only by surrendering the old certificate representing those certificated debt securities, and either we or the trustee will reissue the old certificate to the new holder or we or the trustee will issue a new certificate to the new holder.

***Global Debt Securities and Book-Entry System.*** Each global debt security representing book-entry debt securities will be deposited with, or on behalf of, the Depositary, and registered in the name of the Depositary or a nominee of the Depositary.

The Depositary has indicated it intends to follow the following procedures with respect to book-entry debt securities.

Ownership of beneficial interests in book-entry debt securities will be limited to persons that have accounts with the Depositary for the related global debt security ("participants") or persons that may hold interests through participants. Upon the issuance of a global debt security, the Depositary will credit, on its book-entry registration and transfer system, the participants' accounts with the respective principal amounts of the book-entry debt securities represented by the global debt security beneficially owned by such participants. The accounts to be credited will be designated by any dealers, underwriters or agents participating in the distribution of the book-entry debt securities. Ownership of book-entry debt securities will be shown on, and the transfer of the ownership interests will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depositary for the related global debt security (with respect to interests of participants) and on the records of participants (with respect to interests of persons holding through participants). The laws of some states may require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of such securities in definitive form. These laws may impair the ability to own, transfer or pledge beneficial interests in book-entry debt securities.

So long as the Depositary for a global debt security, or its nominee, is the registered owner of that global debt security, the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the book-entry debt securities represented by such global debt security for all purposes under the indenture. Except as described herein, beneficial owners of book-entry debt securities will not be entitled to have securities registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of a certificate in definitive

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form representing securities and will not be considered the owners or holders of those securities under the indenture. Accordingly, to exercise any rights of a holder under the indenture, each person beneficially owning book-entry debt securities must rely on the procedures of the Depositary for the related global debt security and, if that person is not a participant, on the procedures of the participant through which that person owns its interest.

We understand, however, that under existing industry practice, the Depositary will authorize the persons on whose behalf it holds a global debt security to exercise certain rights of holders of debt securities, and the indenture provides that we, the trustee and our respective agents will treat as the holder of a debt security the persons specified in a written statement of the Depositary with respect to that global debt security for purposes of obtaining any consents or directions required to be given by holders of the debt securities pursuant to the indenture. (Section 2.14.6)

We will make payments of principal of, and premium and interest on book-entry debt securities to the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered holder of the related global debt security. (Section 2.14.5) NIKE, the trustee and any other agent of ours or agent of the trustee will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a global debt security or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests.

We expect that the Depositary, upon receipt of any payment of principal of, premium or interest on a global debt security, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to the respective amounts of book-entry debt securities held by each participant as shown on the records of the Depositary. We also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in book-entry debt securities held through those participants will be governed by standing customer instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with the securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in street name, and will be the responsibility of those participants.

We will issue certificated debt securities in exchange for each global debt security if the Depositary is at any time unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary or ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act, and a successor Depositary registered as a clearing agency under the Exchange Act is not appointed by us within 90 days. In addition, we may at any time and in our sole discretion determine not to have any of the book-entry debt securities of any series represented by one or more global debt securities and, in that event, we will issue certificated debt securities in exchange for the global debt securities of that series. Global debt securities will also be exchangeable by the holders for certificated debt securities if an Event of Default with respect to the book-entry debt securities represented by those global debt securities has occurred and is continuing. Any certificated debt securities issued in exchange for a global debt security will be registered in such name or names as the Depositary shall instruct the trustee. We expect that such instructions will be based upon directions received by the Depositary from participants with respect to ownership of book-entry debt securities relating to such global debt security.

We have obtained the foregoing information in this section concerning the Depositary and the Depositary's book-entry system from sources we believe to be reliable, but we take no responsibility for the accuracy of this information.

### **No Protection in the Event of a Change in Control**

Unless we state otherwise in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the debt securities will not contain any provisions which may afford holders of the debt securities protection in the event we have a change in control or in the event of a highly leveraged transaction (whether or not such transaction results in a change in control).

### **Covenants**

Unless we state otherwise in (a) the applicable Prospectus Supplement and in a supplement to the indenture, (b) a board resolution, or (c) an officers' certificate delivered pursuant to the indenture, the debt securities will

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not contain any restrictive covenants, including covenants restricting us or any of our subsidiaries from incurring, issuing, assuming or guarantying any indebtedness secured by a lien on any of our or our subsidiaries' property or capital stock, or restricting us or any of our subsidiaries from entering into any sale and leaseback transactions.

### **Consolidation, Merger, and Sale of Assets**

We may not consolidate with or merge into, or convey, transfer or lease all or substantially all of our properties and assets to, any person (a successor person), and we may not permit any person to merge into, or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to us, unless:

the successor person is a corporation, partnership, trust or other entity organized and validly existing under the laws of any U.S. domestic jurisdiction and expressly assumes our obligations on the debt securities and under the indenture;

immediately after giving effect to the transaction, no Event of Default, and no event which, after notice or lapse of time, or both, would become an Event of Default, shall have occurred and be continuing under the indenture; and

certain other conditions are met. (Section 5.1)

### **Events of Default**

Event of Default means with respect to any series of debt securities, any of the following:

default in the payment of any interest upon any debt security of that series when it becomes due and payable, and continuance of that default for a period of 30 days (unless the entire amount of such payment is deposited by us with the trustee or with a paying agent prior to the expiration of the 30-day period);

default in the payment of principal of or premium on any debt security of that series when due and payable;

default in the deposit of any sinking fund payment, when and as due in respect of any debt security of that series;

default in the performance or breach of any other covenant or warranty by us in the indenture (other than a covenant or warranty that has been included in the indenture solely for the benefit of a series of debt securities other than that series), which default continues uncured for a period of 60 days after we receive written notice from the trustee or we and the trustee receive written notice from the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series as provided in the indenture;

an event of default under any of our debt (including a default with respect to debt securities of any series other than that series) or any subsidiary, whether that debt exists today or is created at a later date, if the default results from our failure to pay the debt when it becomes due; the principal amount of the debt, together with the principal amount of any other debt in default for failure to pay principal at stated final maturity or the maturity of which has been accelerated, totals \$100 million or more at any one time outstanding; and the debt is not discharged or the acceleration is not rescinded or annulled within 10 days after we receive written notice as provided in the indenture;

certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization; and



any other Event of Default provided with respect to debt securities of that series that is described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement accompanying this Prospectus.

No Event of Default with respect to a particular series of debt securities (except as to certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization) necessarily constitutes an Event of Default with respect to any other series of debt securities. (Section 6.1) An Event of Default may also be an event of default under our bank credit

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agreements in existence from time to time and under certain guaranties by us of any subsidiary indebtedness. In addition, certain Events of Default or an acceleration under the indenture may also be an event of default under some of our other indebtedness outstanding from time to time.

If an Event of Default with respect to debt securities of any series at the time outstanding occurs and is continuing, then the trustee or the holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series may, by written notice to us (and to the trustee if given by the holders), declare to be due and payable immediately the principal (or, if the debt securities of that series are discount securities, that portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of that series) and premium of all debt securities of that series. In the case of an Event of Default resulting from certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization, the principal (or such specified amount) and premium of all outstanding debt securities will become and be immediately due and payable without any declaration or other act by the trustee or any holder of outstanding debt securities. At any time after a declaration of acceleration with respect to debt securities of any series has been made, but before the trustee has obtained a judgment or decree for payment of the money due, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series may, subject to our having paid or deposited with the trustee a sum sufficient to pay overdue interest and principal which has become due other than by acceleration and certain other conditions, rescind and annul such acceleration if all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of accelerated principal and premium with respect to debt securities of that series, have been cured or waived as provided in the indenture. (Section 6.2) For information as to waiver of defaults see the discussion under Modification and Waiver below. We refer you to the Prospectus Supplement relating to any series of debt securities that are discount securities for the particular provisions relating to acceleration of a portion of the principal amount of the discount securities upon the occurrence of an Event of Default and the continuation of an Event of Default.

The indenture provides that the trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the indenture at the request of any holder of outstanding debt securities, unless the trustee receives indemnity satisfactory to it against any loss, liability or expense. (Section 7.1(e)) Subject to certain rights of the trustee, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of any series shall have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on the trustee with respect to the debt securities of that series. (Section 6.12)

No holder of any debt security of any series will have any right to institute any proceeding, judicial or otherwise, with respect to the indenture or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any remedy under the indenture, unless:

that holder has previously given to the trustee written notice of a continuing Event of Default with respect to debt securities of that series; and

the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series have made written request, and offered reasonable indemnity, to the trustee to institute such proceeding as trustee, and the trustee shall not have received from the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series a direction inconsistent with that request and has failed to institute the proceeding within 60 days. (Section 6.7)

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the holder of any debt security will have an absolute and unconditional right to receive payment of the principal of, premium and any interest on that debt security on or after the due dates expressed in that debt security and to institute suit for the enforcement of payment. (Section 6.8)

The indenture requires us, within 90 days after the end of our fiscal year, to furnish to the trustee a statement as to compliance with the indenture. (Section 4.3) The indenture provides that the trustee may withhold notice to the holders of debt securities of any series of any Default or Event of Default (except in payment on any debt securities of that series) with respect to debt securities of that series if it in good faith determines that withholding notice is in the interest of the holders of those debt securities. (Section 7.5)

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### **Modification and Waiver**

We and the trustee may modify and amend the indenture with the consent of the holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of each series affected by the modifications or amendments. We and the trustee may not make any modification or amendment without the consent of the holder of each affected debt security then outstanding if that amendment will:

change the amount of debt securities whose holders must consent to an amendment or waiver;

reduce the rate of or extend the time for payment of interest (including default interest) on any debt security;

reduce the principal of or premium on or change the fixed maturity of any debt security or reduce the amount of, or postpone the date fixed for, the payment of any sinking fund or analogous obligation with respect to any series of debt securities;

reduce the principal amount of discount securities payable upon acceleration of maturity;

waive a default in the payment of the principal of, premium or interest on any debt security (except a rescission of acceleration of the debt securities of any series by the holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding debt securities of that series and a waiver of the payment default that resulted from that acceleration);

make the principal of or premium or interest on any debt security payable in a currency other than that stated in the debt security;

make any change to certain provisions of the indenture relating to, among other things, the right of holders of debt securities to receive payment of the principal of, premium and interest on those debt securities and to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment and to waivers or amendments; or

waive a redemption payment with respect to any debt security or change any of the provisions with respect to the redemption of any debt securities. (Section 9.3)

Except for certain specified provisions, the holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of any series may on behalf of the holders of all debt securities of that series waive our compliance with provisions of the indenture. (Section 9.2) The holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of any series may on behalf of the holders of all the debt securities of that series waive any past default under the indenture with respect to that series and its consequences, except a default in the payment of the principal of, premium or any interest on any debt security of that series; provided, however, that the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of any series may rescind an acceleration and its consequences, including any related payment default that resulted from the acceleration. (Section 6.13)

### **Defeasance of Debt Securities and Certain Covenants in Certain Circumstances**

*Legal Defeasance.* The indenture provides that, unless otherwise provided by the terms of the applicable series of debt securities, we may be discharged from any and all obligations in respect of the debt securities of any series (except for certain obligations to register the transfer or exchange of debt securities of the series, to replace stolen, lost or mutilated debt securities of the series, and to maintain paying agencies and certain provisions relating to the treatment of funds held by paying agents). We will be so discharged upon the deposit with the trustee, in trust, of money and/or U.S. Government Obligations or, in the case of debt securities denominated in a single currency other than U.S. Dollars, Foreign Government Obligations, that, through the payment of interest and principal in accordance with their terms, will provide money in an amount sufficient in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants to pay and discharge each installment of principal, premium and interest on and any mandatory sinking fund payments in respect of the debt securities of that series on the stated maturity

of such payments in accordance with the terms of the indenture and those debt securities.

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This discharge may occur only if, among other things, we have delivered to the trustee an officers' certificate and an opinion of counsel stating that we have received from, or there has been published by, the United States Internal Revenue Service a ruling or, since the date of execution of the indenture, there has been a change in the applicable United States federal income tax law, in either case to the effect that holders of the debt securities of such series will not recognize income, gain or loss for United States federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit, defeasance and discharge and will be subject to United States federal income tax on the same amount and in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if the deposit, defeasance and discharge had not occurred. (Section 8.3)

*Defeasance of Certain Covenants.* The indenture provides that, unless otherwise provided by the terms of the applicable series of debt securities, upon compliance with certain conditions:

we may omit to comply with the restrictive covenants contained in Sections 4.2, 4.3 through 4.6 and Section 5.1 of the indenture, as well as any additional covenants contained in a supplement to the indenture, a board resolution or an officers' certificate delivered pursuant to the indenture; and

Events of Default under Section 6.1(e) of the indenture will not constitute a Default or an Event of Default with respect to the debt securities of that series.

The conditions include:

depositing with the trustee money and/or U.S. Government Obligations or, in the case of debt securities denominated in a single currency other than U.S. Dollars, Foreign Government Obligations, that, through the payment of interest and principal in accordance with their terms, will provide money in an amount sufficient in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants to pay principal, premium and interest on and any mandatory sinking fund payments in respect of the debt securities of that series on the stated maturity of those payments in accordance with the terms of the indenture and those debt securities; and

delivering to the trustee an opinion of counsel to the effect that the holders of the debt securities of that series will not recognize income, gain or loss for United States federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and related covenant defeasance and will be subject to United States federal income tax in the same amount and in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if the deposit and related covenant defeasance had not occurred. (Section 8.4)

*Covenant Defeasance and Events of Default.* In the event we exercise our option not to comply with certain covenants of the indenture with respect to any series of debt securities and the debt securities of that series are declared due and payable because of the occurrence of any Event of Default, the amount of money and/or U.S. Government Obligations or Foreign Government Obligations on deposit with the trustee will be sufficient to pay amounts due on the debt securities of that series at the time of their stated maturity but may not be sufficient to pay amounts due on the debt securities of that series at the time of the acceleration resulting from the Event of Default. However, we will remain liable for those payments.

Foreign Government Obligations means, with respect to debt securities of any series that are denominated in a currency other than U.S. Dollars:

direct obligations of the government that issued or caused to be issued such currency for the payment of which obligations its full faith and credit is pledged, which are not callable or redeemable at the option of the issuer thereof; or

obligations of a person controlled or supervised by or acting as an agency or instrumentality of that government the timely payment of which is unconditionally guaranteed as a full faith and credit obligation by that government, which are not callable or redeemable at the option of the issuer thereof.

## **Governing Law**

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The indenture and the debt securities will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the internal laws of the State of New York.  
(Section 10.10)

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**PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

We may sell securities to or through underwriters and also may sell securities directly to other purchasers or through agents.

We may distribute the securities from time to time in one or more transactions:

at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed;

at market prices prevailing at the time of sale;

at prices related to such prevailing market prices; or

at negotiated prices.

In connection with the sale of securities, we, or the purchasers of securities for whom the underwriters may act as agents, may compensate underwriters in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions. Underwriters may sell the securities to or through dealers, and those dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the underwriters and/or commissions from the purchasers for whom they may act as agent. Underwriters, dealers and agents participating in the distribution of securities may be deemed to be underwriters under the Securities Act, and any discounts or commissions they receive from us and any profit they realize on resale of the securities may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. We will describe in the applicable Prospectus Supplement any compensation we pay to underwriters or agents in connection with the offering of securities, and any discounts, concessions or commissions allowed by underwriters to participating dealers.

We may enter into agreements to indemnify underwriters, dealers and agents who participate in the distribution of securities against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

**LEGAL MATTERS**

Ronald D. McCray, Esq., Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer of NIKE will issue an opinion about certain legal matters with respect to the securities for NIKE. Any underwriters will be advised about the other issues relating to any offering by their own legal counsel.

**EXPERTS**

The financial statements and management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting (which is included in Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting) incorporated in this Prospectus by reference to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended May 31, 2008 have been so incorporated in reliance on the report (which contains an explanatory paragraph on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting due to the exclusion of certain elements of the internal control over financial reporting of Umbro Ltd. that the registrant acquired as of May 31, 2008) of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

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Securities and Exchange Commission registration fee	\$	*
Printing expenses		**
Trustee fees and expenses		**
Legal fees and expenses		**
Accounting fees and expenses		**
Rating agency fees		**
Miscellaneous		**
Total	\$	**

\* In accordance with Rules 456(b) and 457(r), the registrant is deferring payment of the registration fee for the securities offered by this Prospectus.

\*\* These fees are calculated based on the securities offered and the number of issuances and accordingly cannot be estimated at this time.

**Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers**

The Oregon Business Corporation Act (the "OBCA") permits a corporation to include in its articles of incorporation a provision indemnifying a director if (a) the conduct of the individual was in good faith; (b) the individual reasonably believed that the individual's conduct was in the best interests of the corporation, or at least not opposed to its best interests; and (c) in the case of any criminal proceeding, the individual had no reasonable cause to believe the individual's conduct was unlawful. In addition, the OBCA provides that, unless limited by its articles of incorporation, a corporation shall indemnify a director who was wholly successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of any proceeding to which the director was a party because of being a director of the corporation against reasonable expenses incurred by the director in connection with the proceedings. The Company's articles of incorporation do not limit such right of indemnification. Section 60.411 of the OBCA also provides that a corporation has the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of an individual against any liability asserted against or incurred by the individual who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation or who, while a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee or agent of another foreign or domestic corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise, even if the corporation had no power to indemnify the individual against such liability under the provisions of Sections 60.391 or 60.394 of the OBCA.

Article VIII of the Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Company provides as follows:

A. The Corporation shall have the power to indemnify to the fullest extent not prohibited by law any person who is made or threatened to be made a party to, witness in, or otherwise involved in, any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, investigative, legislative, formal or informal, internal or external or otherwise (including an action, suit or proceeding by or in the right of the Corporation) by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or a fiduciary within the meaning of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 with respect to any employee benefit plan of the Corporation, or serves or served at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent or as a fiduciary of an employee benefit plan, of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise. Any indemnification provided pursuant to this Article VIII shall not be exclusive of any rights to which the person indemnified may otherwise be entitled under any articles of incorporation, bylaw, agreement, statute, policy of insurance, vote of shareholders or Board of Directors, or otherwise, which exists at or subsequent to the time such person incurs or becomes subject to such liability and expense.





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B. To the fullest extent not prohibited by law, no director of the Corporation shall be personally liable to the Corporation or its shareholders for monetary damages for conduct as a director. No amendment or repeal of this Article VIII, nor the adoption of any provision of these Restated Articles of Incorporation inconsistent with this Article VIII, nor a change in the law, shall adversely affect any right or protection that is based upon this Paragraph B and pertains to conduct that occurred prior to the time of such amendment, repeal, adoption or change. No change in the law shall reduce or eliminate the rights and protections set forth in this Paragraph B unless the change in the law specifically requires such reduction or elimination. If the Oregon Business Corporation Act is amended after this Article VIII becomes effective to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors of the Corporation, then the liability of directors of the Corporation shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent not prohibited by the Oregon Business Corporation Act as so amended.

Article 9 of the Company's Third Restated Bylaws (the Company's Bylaws) provides for indemnification of the Company's officers and directors to the fullest extent permitted by law. However, the Company is not obligated to make any indemnification in connection with any claim made against any director or officer (i) for which payment is required to be made to or on behalf of the director or officer under any insurance policy, except with respect to any excess amount to which the director or officer is entitled beyond the amount of payment under such insurance policy, (ii) if a court having jurisdiction in the matter finally determines that such indemnification is not lawful under any applicable statute or policy, (iii) any proceeding initiated by the director or officer, or any proceeding by the director or officer against the Company or its directors, officers, employees or other persons entitled to be indemnified by the Company, unless the Company is expressly required by law to make the indemnification or certain other requirements are met, or (iv) for an accounting of profits made from the purchase and sale by the director or officer of securities of the Company within the meaning of Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act, or similar provision of any state statutory law or common law. Article 9, Section (k) of the Company's Bylaws provides that the Company may purchase insurance on behalf of any person required or permitted to be indemnified pursuant to Article 9 upon approval by the Company's Board of Directors.

The Company has entered into indemnity agreements with all directors and executive officers of the Company relating to their positions as such. The agreements provide generally that the Company will indemnify the party thereto for liability arising from third-party proceedings, for proceedings by or in the right of the Company and otherwise to the fullest extent not prohibited by law, subject to certain exclusions. The Company also maintains liability insurance for directors and officers of the Company acting within their capacities as such.

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**Item 16. Exhibits**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
*1	Form of Underwriting Agreement.
4.1	Indenture, dated as of December 13, 1996, between NIKE, Inc. and Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (successor in interest to The First National Bank of Chicago), as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3, Registration No. 333-71975 filed on February 8, 1999).
*4.2	Form of Debt Security.
5.1	Opinion of Ronald D. McCray, Esq.
12	Statement regarding Computation of Ratios.
23.1	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.
23.2	Consent of Ronald D. McCray, Esq. (included in Exhibit 5).
24	Powers of Attorney.
25	Statement of Eligibility of Trustee on Form T-1.

\* To be filed by amendment or by report on Form 8-K pursuant to Regulation S-K, Item 601(b).

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**Item 17. Undertakings**

(a) We hereby undertake:

(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;

(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 Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent 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;

*Provided, however,* that: paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange 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 the registration statement, or is contained in a form of Prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of 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.

(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.

(4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act to any purchaser:

(i) (A) Each Prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed Prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and

(B) each Prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5), or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii), or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by Section 10(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of Prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the Prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which that Prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide offering* thereof. *Provided, however,* that no statement made in a registration statement or Prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or Prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or Prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date; or

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(ii) each Prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) as part of a registration statement relating to an offering, other than registration statements relying on Rule 430B or other than Prospectuses filed in reliance on Rule 430A, shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the date it is first used after effectiveness. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or Prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or Prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such first use, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or Prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such date of first use.

(5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities:

The undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:

(i) Any preliminary Prospectus or Prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;

(ii) Any free writing Prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;

(iii) The portion of any other free writing Prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and

(iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.

(6) 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 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 the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of the securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(7) 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.

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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-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Beaverton, Oregon, on December 22, 2008.

NIKE, INC.

By: /s/ **MARK G. PARKER**  
**Mark G. Parker**

**President and Chief Executive Officer**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by each of the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<b>Signature</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>
/s/ <b>MARK G. PARKER</b> <b>Mark G. Parker</b>	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	December 22, 2008
/s/ <b>DONALD W. BLAIR</b> <b>Donald W. Blair</b>	Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	December 22, 2008
/s/ <b>BERNARD F. PLISKA</b> <b>Bernard F. Pliska</b>	Vice President, Corporate Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	December 22, 2008
<b>*</b> <b>Philip H. Knight</b>	Chairman of the Board and Director	December 22, 2008
<b>John G. Connors</b>	Director	
<b>Timothy D. Cook</b>	Director	
<b>Jill K. Conway</b>	Director	
<b>*</b> <b>Ralph D. DeNunzio</b>	Director	December 22, 2008
<b>*</b>	Director	December 22, 2008

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**Alan B. Graf, Jr.**

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Director

December 22, 2008

**Douglas G. Houser**

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<b>Signature</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>Jeanne P. Jackson</b>	Director	
*	Director	December 22, 2008
<b>Johnathan A. Rodgers</b>		
	Director	
<b>Orin C. Smith</b>		
*	Director	December 22, 2008
<b>John R. Thompson, Jr.</b>		

\*By: /s/ BERNARD F. PLISKA  
**Bernard F. Pliska,**  
**Vice President, Corporate Controller**  
*Attorney-in-Fact*