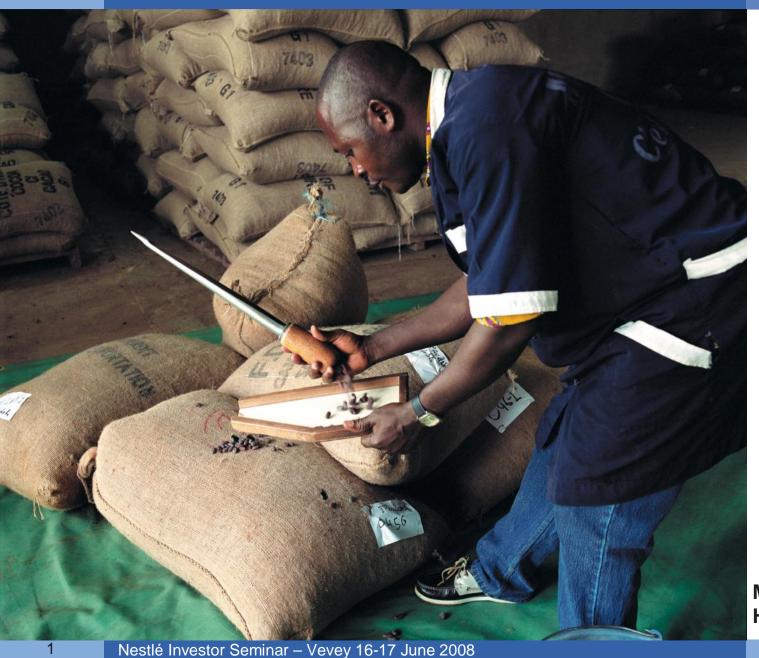
# Nestlé Investor Seminar 2008





Procurement of Raw Materials at Nestlé

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# **Managing Commodity Prices at Nestlé**



- Nestlé Corporate Operations Procurement
  - Functional Responsibility worldwide
  - Operational Responsibility on key commodities
- Buying Policy reviewed formally every month
  - Input from all Zones; business alignment
  - Signed off by Executive Board
  - Have approved "rapid" changes when required
- Buying & Hedging in 6 Commodity Procurement Centres across the Zones

# **Procurement Objectives**



- Ensure "quality" supply to our factories
- Buy better than the market
- Pursue cost reduction opportunities
- Manage impact of price changes
- First recipients of supplier innovation
- Compliant suppliers, Sustainability CSR
- Efficient supplier interfaces optimize supply chain

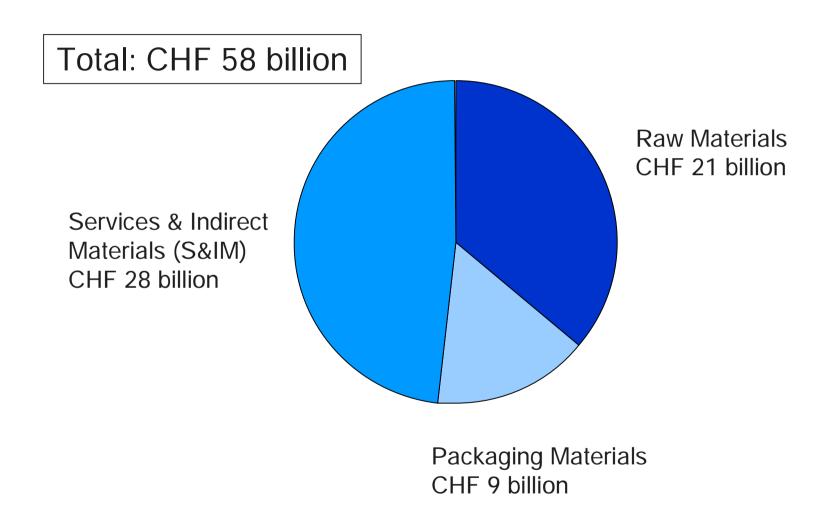
# **Topics**



- Evolution of Nestlé spend on commodities
- Commodity market trends driving factors
- The new environment
- How we manage the price pressures
- Nestlé's buying performance
- Impact of oil prices
- Sustainability with suppliers
- Outlook 2008 and 2009

# Total expenditure - spend category (2007) Nestle

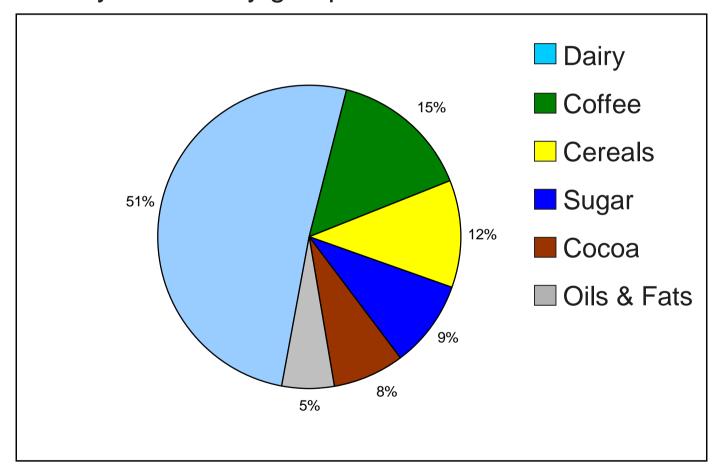




# Spend on Raw Materials & Commodities



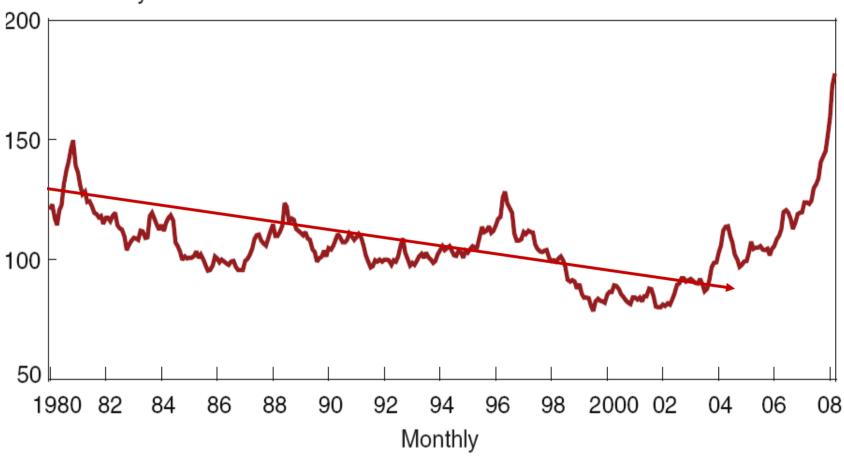
- Total 2007 spend of CHF 21 Billion
- The 6 key commodity groups account for CHF 13 Billion



### **Food commodities**



Index: January 1992 = 100



Source: International Monetary Fund: International Financial Statistics.

# **Cost Base Evolution**



		<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Raw Materials (Bn CHF)		16	16	18	21
Packaging	(Bn CHF)	7	8	8	9
Turnover	(Bn CHF)	86.8	91.1	98.5	107.6
Raw Materials & Packaging % T/O		26.5	26.3	26.4	27.9
Change (bps)			- 20	+ 10	+ 150

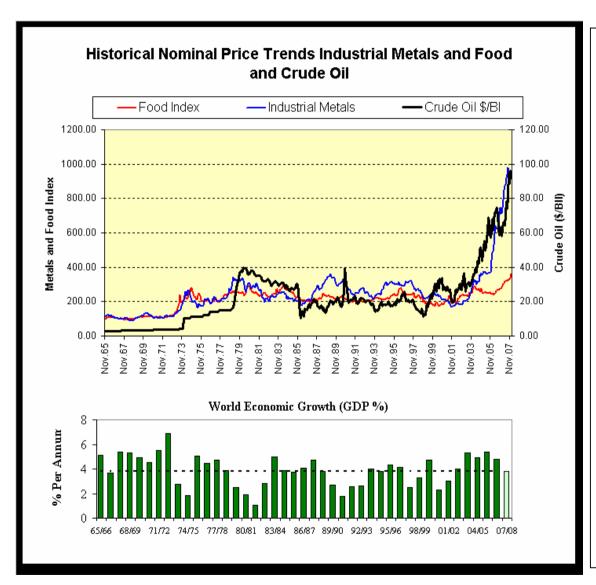
# So why the trend change?



- 1980s investments exceeded demand
- Excess supply. Then:
  - Mergers & Acquisitions
  - Consolidation → Capacity reductions
  - Competition → Reduced suppliers
- Safety stocks at all time lows
- Weather events
- Demand growth exceeds supply growth

### **World GDP and Commodity Prices**





- Metals and Energy have been driven by China / Asian / Middle East construction boom.
- Growth, especially BRIC, likely to fuel increased food demand and create commodity specific spikes.
- Food rallies historically tend to be more supply (weather) related.
- Investment by funds make traded commodities another volatile financial market.

### New factors in 2007 & 2008

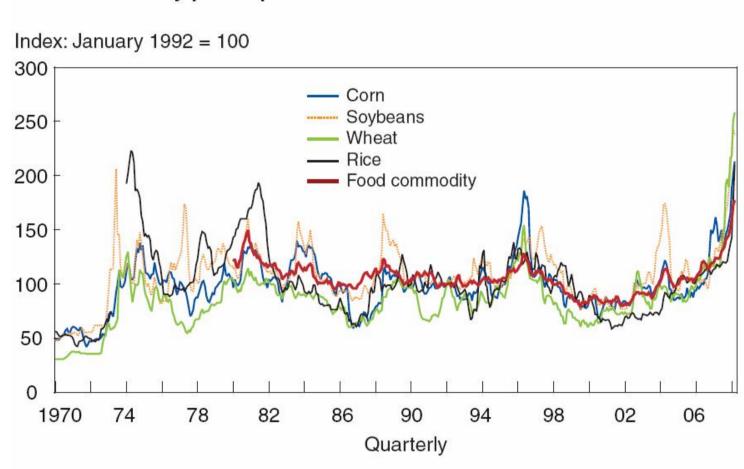


- Sustained demand growth BRIC countries
- Major "new" demand from bio-fuels
- Fund activity commodities an attractive investment
- Significant price volatility but varies by commodity
- Weaker USD
- Memories of the late 70s / early 80s !!

### **Global Food Commodities**



#### Food commodity price spikes since 1970



Source: International Monetary Fund: International Financial Statistics.

# Mitigating the business impact



- Both rising input prices and volatility to manage
- How ?
  - Commodity Research Team
  - Centres of expertise in hedging
  - Aggregation of buying volumes (Regional / Global)
  - Major focus on structured communications
  - Continued emphasis on Operational Efficiency
- "Good Buying" is necessary but not sufficient

# **Procurement practices**



- Different techniques in different supply markets
  - How big a buyer is Nestlé ?
  - How important is the spend?
  - What is structure of supply market?
  - Availability of futures / derivatives for hedging ?
- Long-term contracts help ensure supply
- Multiple-origin sourcing balances risk
- Direct Procurement creates new sources, gives transparency, adds competitive advantage

The right sourcing strategy is a balanced one

# New practices for a new environment



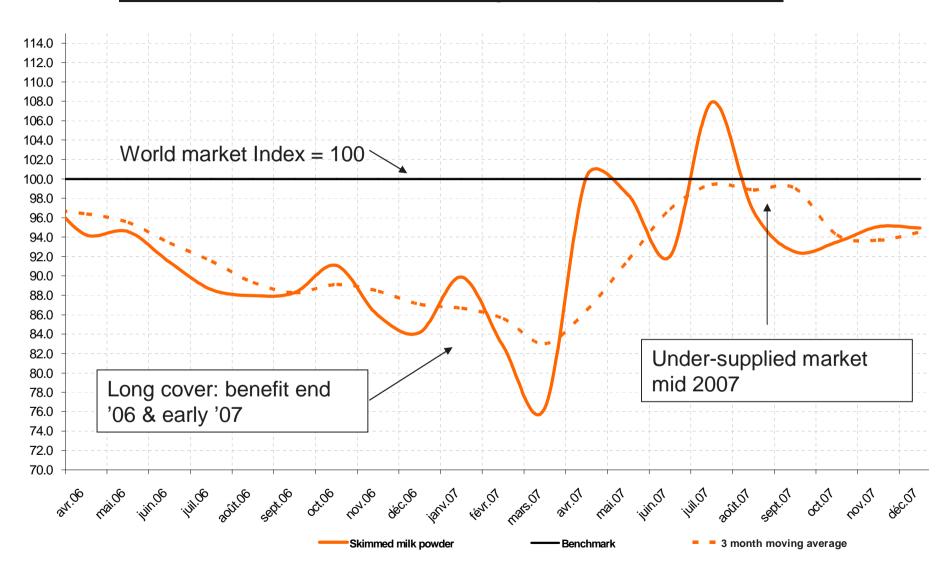
- Review supply strategies for critical materials
- Creation of "Supply Working Groups"
  - managing impact on our business
- Evaluate mix of supply; re-consider "value added" vertical integration
- Long-term supply agreements; supplier investments; assure competitive / quality supply
- Spend management on world-wide basis leverage scale of Nestlé; best suppliers

Continue to apply best practices in Procurement

### **Nestlé Performance vs Market Indices**



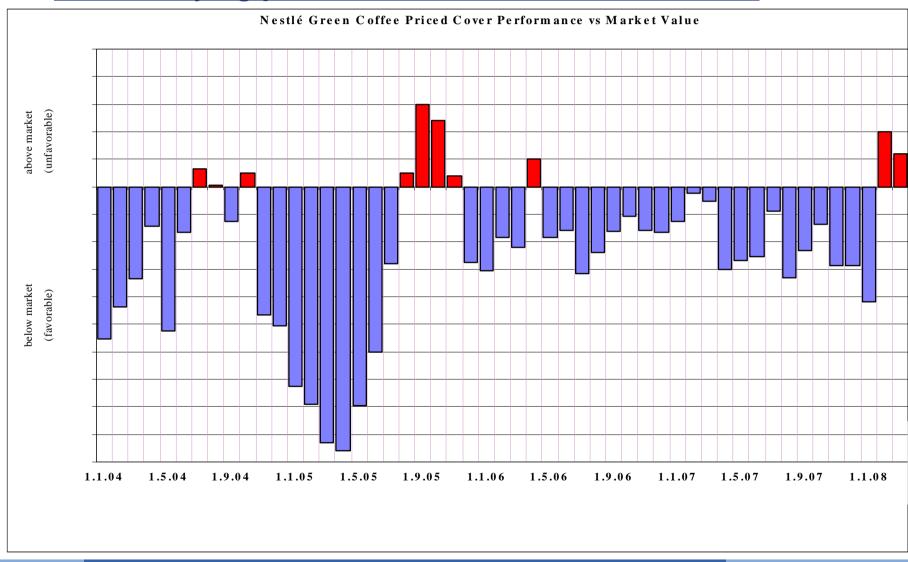
#### Nestlé skim powder purchases against key market indices



# **Managing cost pressures**



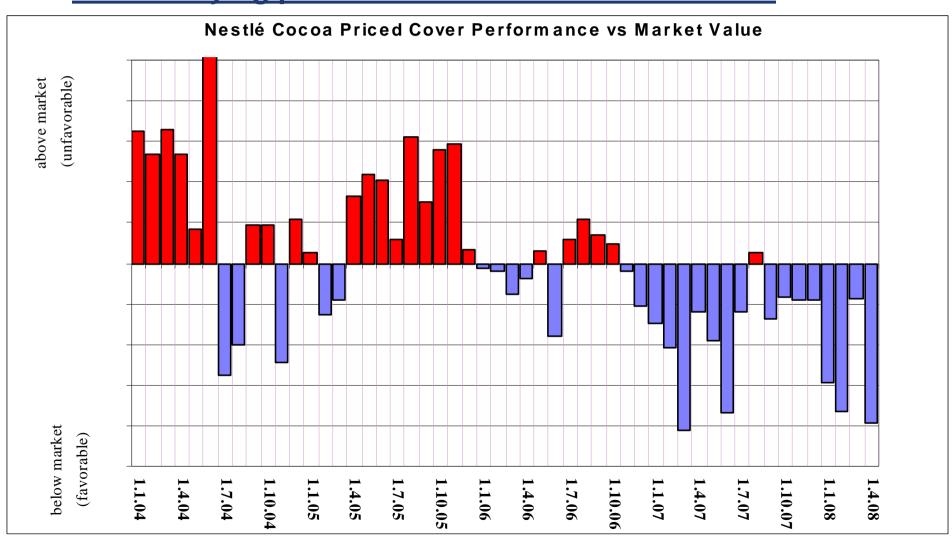
### Coffee Buying performance vs market 2004 - 2008:



# **Managing cost pressures**



### Cocoa Buying performance vs market 2004 - 2008:



### Managing cost pressures



### **Procurement savings within Operation Excellence:**

2005 600 Million CHF

2006 500 Million CHF

2007 500 Million CHF

- Savings from Price Negotiations, Specification Harmonization, Alternative Suppliers.
- GLOBE enabled, through increased spend visibility.

# Summary – A new environment



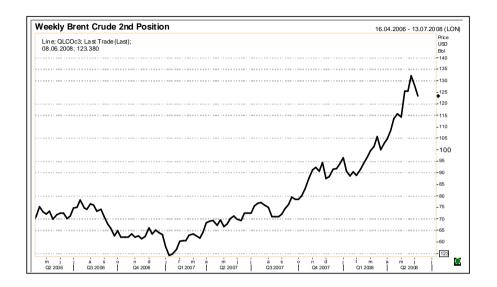
- Commodity prices were too low for too long
- Price volatility will continue
- Procurement techniques, controlled hedging policy, strong global co-ordination
- Since 2006, greater focus on business engagement
  alignment communications
- Long-term supply, direct procurement, harmonized specifications – balanced sourcing strategy
- Continue to measure performance vs markets and consistently to beat them
- Focus on operational improvements since 1997

### The impact of oil prices on Nestlé



### Several areas of impact

- Energy utilities
- Transportation
- Packaging
- Supplier cost inflation



### The impact on Nestlé 2008 and 2009

- "Some" exposure on transportation 20% (inc duty) of distribution costs – and certain packaging categories
- Majority of 2008 on fixed price contracts
- Sustained high oil prices could impact 2009

# The Nestlé Supplier Code



- States Nestlé's expectations
- Integrity; sustainability; labour practices; safety, health & environment; agriculture – all covered
- Applies to all suppliers, world-wide
- Compliance, corrective measures and continuous improvements will be expected
- Audit plan in place
- Link to contracts through GLOBE
- A responsible, sustainable and competitive supplier base to support Nestlé's future growth

### Commodity prices: Outlook 2008 & 2009



- Increases over 2007 in line with expectations; prices will stabilize in H2.
- 2009 outlook higher prices stimulating supply:
  - Dairy & Cereals down from 2008 highs; no return to pre-2007 prices; more stability in 2009
  - Coffee price unlikely to increase further; large 2008 crops could reduce prices, but not immediately
  - Cocoa shows little sign of major supply growth;
    prices remain firm
  - Strong demand for Oils & Fats, as well as Sugar to keep prices firm despite growth in supply

Anticipate 2009 will see stability vs 2008 for Nestlé

# **And finally**



- Focus on buying competitively sustainable & responsible – to support Nestlé's accelerated growth
- Improve operational efficiencies eliminate waste;
  align & communicate with business
- Commodity markets have changed; no return to 2004; more stability in H2 2008 and 2009

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