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Form S-8

July 22, 2002

Registration No. 333-_____

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933
SENSIENT TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Wisconsin

39-0561070

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

777 East Wisconsin Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

53202-5304

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Sensient Technologies Corporation 2002 Stock Option Plan

(Full title of the plan)

John L. Hammond
Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel
Sensient Technologies Corporation
777 East Wisconsin Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202-5304
(414) 271-6755

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

With a copy to:
Elizabeth Pagel Serebransky
Debevoise & Plimpton
919 Third Avenue
New York, New York 10022
(212) 909-6000

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

TITLE OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED	AMOUNT TO BE REGISTERED	PROPOSED MAXIMUM OFFERING PRICE PER SHARE	PROPOSED MAXIMUM AGGREGATE OFFERING PRICE
Common Stock, \$.10 par value	2,400,000 shares	\$19.35 (1)	\$46,440,000 (1)

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- (1) Estimated pursuant to Rule 457(h) under the Securities Act of 1933 solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee based on the average of the high and low prices for Sensient Technologies Corporation Common Stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on July 18, 2002. In addition, pursuant to Rule 416(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement also covers an indeterminate amount of interests to be offered or sold pursuant to the employee benefit plan described herein.

PART I INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(A) PROSPECTUS

The document or documents containing the information specified in Part I are not required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") as part of this Form S-8 Registration Statement.

PART II INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE.

The following documents have been previously filed by Sensient Technologies Corporation (the "Company") (formerly Universal Foods Corporation) with the Commission and are incorporated herein by reference:

1. The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001, which includes certified financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2001.
2. The Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2002.
3. All other reports filed by the Company pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), since December 31, 2001.
4. The description of the Company's common stock contained in Item 1 of the company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A, dated December 29, 1976, as amended by Forms-8A, dated July 16, 1986, and July 22, 1998, and any other amendments or reports filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All documents subsequently filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of filing of this Registration Statement and prior to such time as the Company files a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement, 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 in this Registration Statement and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents.

ITEM 4. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES.

Not applicable.

ITEM 5. INTERESTS OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL.

Not applicable.

ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

Pursuant to the Wisconsin Business Corporation Law and the Company's Bylaws, directors and officers of the Company are entitled to mandatory indemnification from the Company against certain liabilities and expenses (i) to the extent such officers or directors are successful in the defense of a proceeding; and (ii) in proceedings in which the director or officer is not successful in the defense thereof, unless (in the latter case only) it is determined that the director or officer breached or failed to perform his duties to the Company and such breach or failure constituted: (a) a willful failure to deal fairly with the Company or its shareholders in connection with a matter in which the director or officer had a material conflict of interest; (b) a violation of the criminal law, unless the director or officer had reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was lawful or had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful; (c) a transaction from which the director or officer derived an improper personal profit; or (d) willful misconduct. It should be noted that the Wisconsin Business Corporation Law specifically states that it is the public policy of the State of Wisconsin to require or permit indemnification in connection with a proceeding involving securities regulation, as described therein, to the extent required or permitted as described above. Additionally, under the Wisconsin Business Corporation Law, directors of the Company are not subject to personal liability to the Company, its shareholders or any person asserting rights on behalf of the Company or its shareholders, for certain breaches or failures to perform any duty resulting solely from their status as such directors, except in circumstances paralleling those in subparagraphs (a) through (d) outlined above.

Expenses for the defense of any action for which indemnification may be available may be advanced by the Company under certain circumstances.

The indemnification provided by the Wisconsin Business Corporation Law and the Company's Bylaws is not exclusive of any other rights to which a director or officer of the Company may be entitled.

The Company maintains a liability insurance policy for its directors and officers as permitted by Wisconsin law, which may extend to, among other things, liability arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

ITEM 7. EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION CLAIMED.

Not applicable.

ITEM 8. EXHIBITS.

The exhibits listed on the Exhibit Index attached hereto have been filed (except where otherwise indicated) as part of this Registration Statement.

ITEM 9. UNDERTAKINGS.

(a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

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made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement 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.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment 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.

(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 of 1933, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 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 this 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 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 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 Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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SIGNATURES

THE REGISTRANT. 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 Milwaukee, and State of Wisconsin, on this 18th day of July, 2002.

SENSIENT TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

By: /s/ John L. Hammond

John L. Hammond
Vice President, Secretary
and General Counsel

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities indicated as of the date indicated below.*

Each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Kenneth P. Manning and John L. Hammond, and each of them, with full power to act without the other, his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and any and all other instruments which either of said attorneys-in-fact and agents deems necessary or advisable to enable the Company to comply with the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the rules, regulations and requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission in respect thereof, and the securities or Blue Sky laws of any State or other governmental subdivision, giving and granting to each of said attorneys-in-fact and agents full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing whatsoever necessary or appropriate to be done in and about the premises as fully to all intents as he or she might or could do if personally present at the doing thereof, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, hereby ratifying and confirming all that his or her said attorneys-in-fact and agents or substitutes may or shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

* Each of these signatures is affixed as of July 18, 2002.

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/s/ Kenneth P. Manning

Kenneth P. Manning

Chairman of the Board, President and Chief
Executive Officer (Principal Executive
Officer)

/s/ Richard F. Hobbs

Richard F. Hobbs

Vice President, Chief Financial Officer
and Treasurer

/s/ Stephen J. Rolfs

Stephen J. Rolfs

Vice President, Controller and Chief
Accounting Officer

/s/ Richard A. Abdoo

Richard A. Abdoo

Director

/s/ Michael E. Batten

Michael E. Batten

Director

/s/ John F. Bergstrom

John F. Bergstrom

Director

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/s/ Dr. Fergus M. Clydesdale	

Dr. Fergus M. Clydesdale	Director
/s/ James A. D. Croft	

James A. D. Croft	Director
/s/ Alberto Fernandez	

Alberto Fernandez	Director
/s/ James L. Forbes	

James L. Forbes	Director
/s/ William V. Hickey	

William V. Hickey	Director
/s/ Robert J. O'Toole	

Robert J. O'Toole	Director
/s/ Essie Whitelaw	

Essie Whitelaw	Director

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EXHIBIT INDEX SENSIENT TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION FORM S-8 RELATING TO SENSIENT TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION 2002 Stock Option Plan

Exhibit No.	Description	Incorporated Hereby Reference File
4.1	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of Sensient Technologies Corporation, as amended April 26, 2001	Exhibit 3.1 to Quarterly 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2001 (Commission File No. 333-100000)
4.2	By-Laws of Sensient Technologies Corporation	Exhibit 3.2 to Quarterly 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2001 (Commission File No. 333-100000)
5	Opinion of Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek S.C.	
23(a)	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP	
23(b)	Consent of Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek S.C. (Included in Exhibit No. 5 to this Registration Statement)	
24	Powers of Attorney (Included in Part II as part of the signature page to this Registration Statement)	
99	Sensient Technologies Corporation 2002 Stock Option Plan	Appendix B to Definitive Proxy Statement

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