COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR CO Form 8-K October 25, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 25, 2012

COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Oregon (State or other jurisdiction

000-23939 (Commission 93-0498284 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)
14375 Northwest Science Park Drive

Identification No.)

Portland, Oregon 97229

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(503) 985-4000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

No Change

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On October 25, 2012, Columbia Sportswear Company (the <u>Company</u>) issued a press release reporting its third quarter 2012 financial results and updated outlook for 2012. A copy of the Company s press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. The information in this report shall not be treated as filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and incorporated by reference herein is financial information and commentary by Thomas B. Cusick, Senior Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer of Columbia Sportswear Company, for the quarter ended September 30, 2012 and forward-looking statements relating to fiscal year 2012 and the fourth quarter of 2012 as posted on the company s investor website, http://investor.columbia.com, on October 25, 2012. The information in this report shall not be treated as filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

In its October 25, 2012 press release, the Company also announced that its board of directors approved a dividend of \$0.22 per share of common stock to be paid on November 29, 2012 to its shareholders of record on November 15, 2012.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press release dated October 25, 2012 (furnished pursuant to Items 2.02 and 7.01 hereof).
- 99.2 Commentary by Thomas B. Cusick, Senior Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer of Columbia Sportswear Company dated October 25, 2012 (furnished pursuant to Items 2.02 and 7.01 hereof).

SIGNATURES

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

COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY

Dated: October 25, 2012

By: /s/ Thomas B. Cusick
Thomas B. Cusick
Senior Vice President of Finance, Chief Financial Officer

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