COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR CO Form 8-K December 17, 2010

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):

December 16, 2010

Columbia Sportswear Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File No. 0-23939

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Oregon (State or other jurisdiction 93-0498284 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

14375 Northwest Science Park Drive

Portland, Oregon 97229 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (503) 985-4000

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

ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

On December 16, 2010, Columbia Sportswear Company entered into a first amendment (the Amendment) to its Credit Agreement dated June 15, 2010 with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as the administrator for the lenders and as a lender, and Bank of America, N.A., as a lender. The Amendment, effective December 16, 2010, amends the Tangible Net Worth financial covenant in the Credit Agreement.

The Amendment, filed as exhibit 10.1 to this Form 8-K, is incorporated into this Item 1.01 by reference.

ITEM 2.03 CREATION OF A DIRECT FINANICAL OBLIGATION OR AN OBLIGATION UNDER AN OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENT OF A REGISTRANT.

The information disclosed under Item 1.01 is incorporated into this Item 2.03 by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits.

10.1 First Amendment to Credit Agreement effective as of December 16, 2010 among Columbia Sportswear Company, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as the administrator for the lenders and as a lender, and Bank of America, N.A., as a lender.

SIGNATURE

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

Date: December 17, 2010

 By:
 /s/
 PETER J. BRAGDON

 Name:
 Peter J. Bragdon

 Title:
 Senior Vice President and General Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number

Description

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