NATIONAL RETAIL PROPERTIES, INC. Form 8-K February 22, 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): February 15, 2012

NATIONAL RETAIL PROPERTIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

001-11290 (Commission 56-1431377 (IRS Employer

File Number)

Identification No.)

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450 South Orange Avenue

Suite 900

Orlando, Florida (Address of principal executive offices) Registrant s telephone number, including area code (407) 265-7348 32801 (Zip Code)

Not applicable

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On February 15, 2012, National Retail Properties, Inc. (the Company) entered into an Underwriting Agreement with Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, and RBC Capital Markets, LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein (the Underwriters), for the public offering of 10,000,000 depositary shares (Depositary Shares), each representing a 1/100th interest in a share of the Company s 6.625% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, at \$25.00 per Depositary Share. The Company also granted the Underwriters an option to purchase up to 1,500,000 additional Depositary Shares within 30 days from February 15, 2012. The offering is expected to close on February 23, 2012.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The exhibits listed in the following index relate to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-157583) of the Company and are filed herewith for incorporation by reference into such Registration Statement.

1.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated February 15, 2012, by and among the Company and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, and RBC Capital Markets, LLC, as the representatives of the several underwriters named therein.

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.

NATIONAL RETAIL PROPERTIES, INC.

By: /s/ Kevin B. Habicht Name: Kevin B. Habicht Title: Executive Vice President,

Chief Financial Officer,

Assistant Secretary and Treasurer

Dated: February 22, 2012