

TRI-CONTINENTAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 18, 2011

**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): January 18, 2011**

**TRI-CONTINENTAL CORPORATION**  
(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

MARYLAND  
(STATE OR OTHER  
JURISDICTION  
OF INCORPORATION)

811-00266  
(COMMISSION FILE NUMBER)

13-5441850  
(I.R.S. EMPLOYER  
IDENTIFICATION NO.)

734 Ameriprise Financial Center,  
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55474  
(ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES, ZIP CODE)  
REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE 1-800-221-2450  
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):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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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SECTION 7 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

Registrant is furnishing as Exhibit 99.1 the attached Press Release dated January 14, 2011 for Tri-Continental Corporation.

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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.

TRI-CONTINENTAL CORPORATION

Date: January 18, 2011

By: /s/ Joseph D Alessandro  
Joseph D Alessandro  
Assistant Secretary