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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): September 15, 2011

The Dolan Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-33603 43-2004527

(State or other Jurisdiction of (Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

Incorporation)

222 South Ninth Street, Suite 2300

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (612) 317-9420

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

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- o 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 September 15, 2011, The Dolan Company (the "Company") entered into Amendment No. 2 to Rights Agreement ("Amendment 2"), which amends its Rights Agreement dated as of January 29, 2009 (the "Base Rights Agreement"), which was previously amended by Amendment No. 1 to Rights Agreement dated as of March 17, 2010 ("Amendment 1," and together with the Base Rights Agreement, the "Rights Agreement"). Pursuant to Amendment 2, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. succeeds Mellon Investor Services LLC as Rights Agent under the Rights Agreement.

The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to (i) Amendment 2, which is filed as Exhibit 4 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein, (ii) the Base Rights Agreement, which was filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 3, 2009 and is incorporated by reference herein, and (iii) Amendment 1, which was filed as Exhibit 4 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 22, 2010 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 3.03 Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.

The information set forth under Item 1.01 is incorporated in this Item 3.03 by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

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Number Description of Exhibits

Amendment No. 2 to Rights Agreement, dated as of September 15, 2011, effective as of September 16, 2011, by and between The Dolan Company and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as successor Rights Agent

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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.

THE DOLAN COMPANY

Date: September 16, 2011 /s/ Vicki J. Duncomb Name: Vicki J. Duncomb

Its: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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