COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR CO Form 8-K March 06, 2008

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): March 4, 2008 Columbia Sportswear Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Oregon

0-23939 (Commission File Number) 93-0498284

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

14375 Northwest Science Park Drive Portland, Oregon 97229

(Address of principal executive offices)

(503) 985-4000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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

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ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF On March 4, 2008, Patrick D. Anderson, our Chief Operating Officer, announced his resignation from Columbia Sportswear Company. His last day as an employee will be at the end of an as yet to be determined transition period and will be no later than April 30, 2008.

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: March 4, 2008

By: /s/ Peter J. Bragdon Name: Peter J. Bragdon Title: Vice President and General Counsel