ANNALY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC

Form 8-K May 22, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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):

May 22, 2012

ANNALY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Maryland</u> <u>1-13447</u> <u>22-3479661</u>

(IRS

(Commission Employer

(State or Other Jurisdiction

Identification

of Incorporation) File Number) No.)

1211 Avenue of the Americas

Suite 2902

New York, New York 10036

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 696-0100

No Change

(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:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On May 22, 2012, Annaly Capital Management, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing a positive update on the health of its Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Michael A.J. Farrell.

The Company's press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated into this Item 7.01 by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits:
- 99.1 Press Release, dated May 22, 2012, issued by the Company

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.

Annaly Capital Management, Inc.

By: /s/ Kathryn Fagan

Name: Kathryn Fagan

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 22, 2012