

COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR CO  
Form 8-K  
October 25, 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): October 25, 2011

**COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Oregon**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**000-23939**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**93-0498284**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

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**14375 Northwest Science Park Drive**

**Portland, Oregon 97229**

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

**(503) 985-4000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**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:

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION**

On October 25, 2011, Columbia Sportswear Company (the Company) issued a press release reporting its third quarter 2011 financial results and outlook for 2011. A copy of the Company's press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. The information in this report shall not be treated as filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and incorporated by reference herein is financial information and commentary by Thomas B. Cusick, Senior Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Columbia Sportswear Company, for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 and forward-looking statements relating to 2011 and the fourth quarter of 2011 as posted on the company's investor website, <http://investor.columbia.com>, on October 25, 2011. The information in this report shall not be treated as filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE**

In its October 25, 2011 press release, the Company also announced that its board of directors approved a dividend of \$0.22 per share of common stock to be paid on December 1, 2011 to its shareholders of record on November 17, 2011.

**ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated October 25, 2011 (furnished pursuant to Items 2.02 and 7.01 hereof).

99.2 Commentary by Thomas B. Cusick, Senior Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Columbia Sportswear Company dated October 25, 2011 (furnished pursuant to Items 2.02 and 7.01 hereof).

**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.

**COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY**

Dated: October 25, 2011

By: /s/ Thomas B. Cusick  
Thomas B. Cusick  
Senior Vice President of Finance, Chief Financial  
  
Officer and Treasurer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <b>Exhibit</b> | <b>Description</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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