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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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): December 8, 2004

Vail Resorts, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware1-961451-0291762(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File Number)(IRS Employer Identification No.)

137 Benchmark Road Avon, Colorado81620(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (970) 845-2500

Not applicable

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

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Item 2.01 Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

On December 8, 2004, Vail Resorts, Inc. (the Company) sold its 49% minority equity interest in Bachelor Gulch Resort, LLC (BG Resort), the entity that owns The Ritz-Carlton, Bachelor Gulch, for \$13.0 million, with net cash proceeds to the Company of \$12.7 million. It is expected that this transaction will result in an approximate \$9.0 million total gain for the Company in its second fiscal quarter of 2005. The Company's interest was acquired by GHR, LLC, a new joint venture between Gencom BG, LLC and Lehman BG, LLC. Gencom BG, LLC is comprised of the same investors as Continental Gencom, one of three partners to have invested in and owned the hotel since its inception along with subsidiaries of the Company and Marriott International (parent company of Ritz-Carlton).

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(b) Pro forma financial information

The following unaudited pro forma financial statements give effect to the disposition of the Company's interest in BG Resort on December 8, 2004. The sale price for the interest in BG Resort was \$13 million, with net cash proceeds of \$12.7 million. The following presents the Company's unaudited pro forma financial information for the three months ended October 31, 2004 and for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2004. The unaudited pro forma statements of October 31, 2004 gives effect to the disposition of BG Resort as if it had occurred on October 31, 2004 give effect to the disposition of BG Resort as if it had occurred on August 1, 2003.

The unaudited pro forma consolidated financial statements should be read together with the Company's consolidated financial statements as of July 31, 2004, including the notes thereto, included in the Vail Resorts, Inc. Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2004 as well as the consolidated financial statements as of October 31, 2004, including the notes thereto, included in the Vail Resorts, Inc. Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended October 31, 2004.

The pro forma financial information is for informational purposes only and does not purport to present what the Company's results would actually have been had these transactions actually occurred on the dates presented or to project the Company's results of operations or financial position for any future period.

Vail Resorts, Inc. Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Balance Sheet

As of October 31, 2004 (In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	As Donoutod	Pro Forma			
Assets	As Reported	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Pro Forma</u>		
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 31,618	\$ 12,738 (a)	\$ 44,356		
Restricted cash	16,129	-	16,129		
Receivables, net	29,913	(4,696) (b)	25,217		
Inventories, net	40,549	-	40,549		
Other current assets	34,003	Ξ	<u>34,003</u>		
Total current assets	152,212	8,042	160,254		
Property, plant and equipment, net	988,401	-	988,401		
Real estate held for sale and investment	132,726	-	132,726		
Goodwill, net	145,090	-	145,090		
Intangible assets, net	84,349	-	84,349		

Other assets		<u>37,646</u>	<u>(4,721)</u> (c)	<u>32,925</u>
Total assets		<u>\$ 1,540,424</u>	\$ 3,321	<u>\$1,543,745</u>
Liabilities and Stockhold	ers' Equity			
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	and accrued expenses	\$ 227,945	\$ 130 (d)	\$ 228,075
Long-term debt du	ne within one year	3,299	Ξ	3,299
	Total current liabilities	231,244	130	231,374
Long-term debt		648,512	-	648,512
Other long-term liabilities		101,733	(371) (e)	101,362
Deferred income taxes		59,989	(1,558) (f)	58,431
Commitments and conting	encies	-	-	-
Put option liabilities		3,321	-	3,321
Minority interest in net ass	sets of consolidated subsidiaries	35,063	-	35,063
Stockholders' equity:				
Preferred stock, \$0 zero shares issued	0.01 par value, 25,000,000 shares authorized, and outstanding	-	-	-
Common stock:				
	Class A common stock, convertible to common stock, \$0.01 par value, 20,000,000 shares authorized, zero, 6,114,834 and 7,439,834 shares issued and outstanding as of October 31, 2004, July 31, 2004, and October 31, 2003, respectively	<u>-</u>	-	-
	Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 80,000,000 shares authorized, 35,407,147, 29,222,828, and 27,835,042 shares issued and outstanding as of October 31, 2004, July 31, 2004, and October 31, 2003, respectively	354	-	354
Additional paid-in		417,422	_	417,422
Deferred compens	ation	(585)	-	(585)
Retained earnings		43,371	5,120 (g)	48,491
Total sto	ckholders' equity	460,562		465,682
	Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 1,540,424	\$ 3,321	\$ 1,543,745

The accompanying Notes to Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

Vail Resorts, Inc. Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Statement of Operations

For the Three Months Ended October 31, 2004 (In thousands, except per share amounts)

As	Pro Forma	Pro
Reported	Adjustments	<u>Forma</u>

Net revenues	:						
	Mountain	\$	34,493	\$	· -	\$	34,493
	Lodging		46,275		-		46,275
	Real estate		<u>17,115</u>				17,115
	Total net revenues		97,883		-		97,883
Operating ex	penses:						
	Mountain		63,961		-		63,961
	Lodging		43,548		-		43,548
	Real estate		10,061		-		10,061
	Depreciation and amortization		21,076		-		21,076
	Loss on disposal of fixed assets, net	_	858				<u>858</u>
	Total operating expenses	_	139,504		<u>-</u>	_	139,504
Income from	operations	(41,621)		-	(41,621)
Other income	e (expense):						
	Mountain equity investment income, net		794		-		794
	Lodging equity investment loss, net		(1,918)		1,918 (h)		-
	Real estate equity investment income, net		(35)		-		(35)
	Investment income, net		128		371 (j)		499
	Interest expense, net	(10,576)		-	(10,576)
	Gain (loss) on put options, net		213		-		213
	Other income (expense), net		(33)		-		(33)
	Minority interest in income of consolidated subsidiaries, net	_	1,900		<u> </u>	_	1,900
Income (loss) before provision for income taxes	(51,148)		2,289	(48,859)
	Benefit (provision) for income taxes	_	19,692	_	(870) (k)	_	18,822
Net income (loss)	\$ (31,456)	\$	1,419	\$ (30,037)
Basic Earnin	gs Per Share	\$	(0.89)	\$	0.04	\$	(0.85)
Diluted Earn	ings Per Share	\$	(0.89)	\$	0.04	\$	(0.85)
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The accompanying Notes to Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

Vail Resorts, Inc.
Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Statement of Operations
For the Year Ended July 31, 2004
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

As Pro Forma Pro

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	Reported	Reported Adjustments	
Net revenues:			
Mountain	\$ 500,436	\$ -	\$ 500,436
Lodging	176,334	ф -	176,334
Real estate	_45,123	_	45,123
Total net revenues	721,893		721,893
Operating expenses:	,,,,,		, . , .
Mountain	368,984	-	368,984
Lodging	161,124	_	161,124
Real estate	16,790	_	16,790
Gain on transfer of property, net	(2,146)	_	(2,146)
Depreciation and amortization	86,377	-	86,377
Asset impairment charge	1,108	_	1,108
Mold remediation charge	5,500	-	5,500
Loss on disposal of fixed assets, net	2,345	_	2,345
Total operating expenses	640,082		640,082
Income from operations	81,811		81,811
Other income (expense):			
Mountain equity investment income, net	1,376	-	1,376
Lodging equity investment loss, net	(3,432)	3,302 (h)	(130)
Real estate equity investment income, net	460	(425) (i)	35
Investment income, net	1,886	374 (j)	2,260
Interest expense, net	(47,479)	-	(47,479)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(37,084)	-	(37,084)
Gain (loss) on put options, net	(1,875)	-	(1,875)
Other income (expense), net	(179)	-	(179)
Minority interest in income of consolidated subsi	diaries, net (4,000)		(4,000)
Income (loss) before provision for income taxes	(8,516)	3,251	(5,265)
Benefit (provision) for income taxes	2,557	<u>(1,235)</u> (k)	1,322
Net income (loss)	<u>\$ (5,959)</u>	<u>\$ 2,016</u>	\$ (3,943)
Basic Earnings Per Share	\$ (0.17)	\$ 0.06	\$ (0.11)
Diluted Earnings Per Share	\$ (0.17)	\$ 0.06	\$ (0.11)

The accompanying Notes to Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

Vail Resorts, Inc. Notes to Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Statements

1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited pro forma consolidated financial statements reflect the disposition of Vail Resorts, Inc.'s (the Company) 49% minority equity interest in Bachelor Gulch Resorts, LLC (BG Resort), the entity that owns The Ritz-Carlton, Bachelor Gulch, for \$13.0 million, with net cash proceeds to the Company of \$12.7 million. The accompanying unaudited pro forma consolidated statements of operations for the three months ended October 31, 2004 and for the year ended July 31, 2004 assume that the disposition of BG Resort occurred at the beginning of such period. The accompanying unaudited pro forma consolidated balance sheet as of October 31, 2004 assumes that the disposition of BG Resort occurred on October 31, 2004.

2. Pro Forma Adjustments

The unaudited pro forma consolidated financial statements reflect the following pro forma adjustments:

- (a) Net cash received from the disposition of BG Resort.
- (b) Reduction of income taxes receivable related to the tax gain from the disposition.
- (c) Investment in BG Resort balance as of October 31, 2004.
- (d) Estimated deposit liability assumed by the Company in connection with the disposition of BG Resort.
- (e) Balance of deferred interest income (which would have been recognized over the remaining average life of BG Resort's assets) as of October 31, 2004.
- (f) Elimination of deferred tax balance related to BG Resort.
- (g) Recognition of remaining deferred interest income of \$371,000 (see note (e)), previously deferred land gain of \$2.9 million, gain on investment of \$5.0 million, net of tax effect of gains at 38% statutory tax rate.
- (h) Reversal of equity investment loss allocated to the Lodging segment.
- (i) Reversal of equity investment income allocated to the Real Estate segment.
- (j) Recognition of deferred interest income as of the beginning of the period (see note (e)).
- (k) Tax effect of pro forma adjustments at 38% statutory tax rate.

The following estimated nonrecurring credits resulting from this transaction will be recognized, subject to final adjustments, by the Company in its second quarter of fiscal 2005. These credits were not considered in the proforma income statements presented herein.

- 1. Gain on the sale of equity investment of approximately \$5.7 million (\$3.5 million net of tax).
- 2. Previously deferred land gain of approximately \$2.9 million (\$1.8 million net of tax). See Note 6, "Investments in Affiliates", of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended July 31, 2004.
- (c) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press release dated December 8, 2004
- 99.2 Purchase and Sale Agreement between VR Holdings, Inc. as Seller and GHR, LLC as Purchaser dated December 8, 2004

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.

Date: December 14, 2004 Vail Resorts, Inc.

By: <u>/s/ Jeffrey W. Jones</u> Jeffrey W. Jones

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer