

OMNICOM GROUP INC.

Form 8-K

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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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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): **May 8, 2014**

OMNICOM GROUP INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**New York**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of

Incorporation)

**001-10551**

(Commission File Number)

**13-1514814**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification

Number)

**437 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10022**

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**(212) 415-3600**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Not Applicable**

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

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

**Item 1.02 Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On May 8, 2014, Omnicom Group Inc., a New York corporation (the “Company”), and Publicis Groupe S.A., a French société anonyme (“Publicis”), entered into a termination agreement (the “Termination Agreement”), dated May 8, 2014, under which the Company and Publicis mutually agreed to terminate their proposed merger of equals in view of difficulties in completing the transaction within a reasonable timeframe.

Under the Termination Agreement, the Company and Publicis mutually consented to terminate their Business Combination Agreement, dated July 27, 2013 (the “Business Combination Agreement”), governing the proposed combination of the parties’ respective businesses, and mutually agreed to release each other from all claims, obligations and liabilities arising out of, in connection with or relating to the Business Combination Agreement. The Termination Agreement provides that no termination fee will be payable by either party.

The foregoing summary does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Termination Agreement, a copy of which accompanies this report as Exhibit 2.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On May 8, 2014, the Company and Publicis issued a joint press release announcing the termination of the Business Combination Agreement. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits**

Description

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Exhibit  
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- 2.1 Termination Agreement, dated as of May 8, 2014, by and among Omnicom Group Inc. and Publicis Groupe S.A.
- 99.1 Press Release, dated May 8, 2014.

**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.

**OMNICOM GROUP INC.**

Date: May 8, 2014

By: /s/ Michael J. O'Brien  
Michael J. O'Brien  
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary