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**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):

April 24, 2008

**Columbia Sportswear Company**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Oregon**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**0-23939**

(Commission File Number)

**93-0498284**

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

**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 CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS**

In May 2008, Bryan L. Timm, the Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”) of Columbia Sportswear Company, will assume the role of Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Timm will continue to act as the Company’s CFO on an interim basis while internal financial leaders assume additional responsibilities. Thomas B. Cusick, currently Vice President of Finance, will become the Company’s Chief Accounting Officer.

**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: April 24, 2008

By: /s/ Peter J. Bragdon

Name: Peter J. Bragdon

Title: Vice President and General Counsel