# 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): September 26, 2014

# **Columbia Sportswear Company**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File No. 0-23939

Oregon (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

93-0498284 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

14375 Northwest Science Park Drive Portland, Oregon (Address of principal executive offices)

97229 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (503) 985-4000

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):	
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	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

### ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

On September 26, 2014, Columbia Sportswear Company entered into a fifth amendment (the "Amendment") to its Credit Agreement dated June 15, 2010, as amended, with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as the administrator for the lenders and as a lender, and Bank of America, N.A., as a lender. The Amendment (i) extends the maturity date to July 1, 2019, (ii) replaces the Tangible Net Worth financial covenant with a Funded Debt Ratio financial covenant and (iii) incorporates a new Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio financial covenant into the Credit Agreement. The Amendment is effective as of September 26, 2014.

The Amendment, filed as exhibit 10.1 to this Form 8-K, is incorporated into this Item 1.01 by reference.

# ITEM 2.03 CREATION OF A DIRECT FINANICAL OBLIGATION OR AN OBLIGATION UNDER AN OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENT OF A REGISTRANT.

The information disclosed under Item 1.01 is incorporated into this Item 2.03 by reference.

## ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits.

10.1 Fifth Amendment to Credit Agreement dated September 26, 2014 among Columbia Sportswear Company, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as the administrator for the lenders and as a lender, and Bank of America, N.A., as a lender.

## **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: September 29, 2014 By: /s/ Thomas B. Cusick

Name: Thomas B. Cusick

Title: Senior Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer

# EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number

Description

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#### FIFTH AMENDMENT TO CREDIT AGREEMENT

THIS FIFTH AMENDMENT TO CREDIT AGREEMENT is entered into as of September 26, 2014 among COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY, an Oregon corporation ("Borrower"), WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Administrative Agent and as a Lender, and BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as a Lender.

#### **RECITALS**

Borrower, Administrative Agent and Lenders are parties to that certain Credit Agreement dated June 15, 2010 (as previously amended, the "Credit Agreement") and desire to amend the Credit Agreement in the manner set forth below. All capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning attributed to them in the Credit Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises of the parties contained herein, Borrower, Administrative Agent and Lenders hereby agree as follows:

- 1. Section 1.1. The defined term "Maturity Date" in Section 1.1 of the Credit Agreement is amended in its entirety to read as follows:
  - "Maturity Date" means July 1, 2019.
- 2. Amendment of Section 8.2. Section 8.2 of the Credit Agreement is amended and replaced in its entirety to read as follows:

#### **8.2 FUNDED DEBT RATIO**

Borrower shall maintain as of the last day of each fiscal quarter a Funded Debt Ratio (as defined in Schedule II) of not greater than 3.50:1.00.

3. New Section 8.4. The following new Section 8.4 is added to the Credit Agreement:

#### 8.4 FIXED CHARGE COVERAGE RATIO

Borrower shall maintain a Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio not less than 1.5 to 1.0 as of each fiscal quarter end, determined on a rolling 4-quarter basis, with "Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio" defined as the aggregate of net profit after taxes plus depreciation expense, amortization expense, interest expense, cash capital contributions and increases in subordinated debt minus dividends, distributions and decreases in subordinated debt, divided by the aggregate, for such prior 4-quarter period, of current maturities of long-term debt, capitalized lease payments and interest expense.

- **4.** Ratification. Except as otherwise provided in this Fifth Amendment, all of the provisions of the Credit Agreement are hereby ratified and confirmed and shall remain in full force and effect.
- 5. One Agreement. The Credit Agreement, as modified by the provisions of this Fifth Amendment, shall be construed as one agreement.
- **6.** Effective Date. This Fifth Amendment shall be effective as of the date first written above upon the execution and delivery by the parties of this Fifth Amendment and the Guarantor's execution and delivery of the Consent and Acknowledgement set forth below.
- 7. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Fifth Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed and delivered shall be deemed to be an original, and all of which when taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Fifth Amendment by fax or other electronic imaging means shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Fifth Amendment.

[Signature Page Follows]

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, this Fifth Amendment to Credit Agreement has been duly executed and delivered as of the date first written above.

**BORROWER:** COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY

By: /s/ Thomas B. Cusick

Title: Senior Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT and LENDER: WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By: /s/ James L. Franzen

James L. Franzen, Senior Vice President

**LENDER:** BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.

By: /s/ Margaret M. Willer

Margaret M. Willer, Senior Vice President

### CONSENT AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUARANTOR

Columbia Sportswear USA Corporation hereby (a) acknowledges receipt of a copy of the foregoing Fifth Amendment to Credit Agreement and consents to the modification of the Credit Agreement contained therein, (b) reaffirms its obligations and waivers under its Continuing Guaranty dated as of June 15, 2010 and (c) acknowledges that its obligations under its Continuing Guaranty are legal, valid and binding obligations enforceable in accordance with their terms and that it has no defense, offset, claim or counterclaim with respect to any of its obligations thereunder.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Columbia Sportswear USA Corporation has duly executed and delivered this Consent and Acknowledgment as of September 26, 2014.

**GUARANTOR:** COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR USA CORPORATION

By: /s/ Thomas B. Cusick

Title: Senior Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer