

SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO  
Form 8-K  
December 10, 2012

**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): December 10, 2012

**The Sherwin-Williams Company**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Ohio**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**1-04851**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**34-0526850**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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**101 West Prospect Avenue**

**Cleveland, Ohio**  
**(Address of Principal Executive Offices)**

**(216) 566-2000**

**44115**  
**(Zip Code)**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

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:

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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 December 10, 2012, The Sherwin-Williams Company ( Sherwin-Williams ) entered into that certain Three Year Credit Agreement Amendment No. 3 ( Amendment No. 3 ) with Citicorp USA, Inc. ( CUSA ), as administrative agent and issuing bank, and the Lenders party thereto. Amendment No. 3 amends the Three Year Credit Agreement, dated as of November 14, 2012 (as amended by that certain Three Year Credit Agreement Amendment No. 1, dated as of November 26, 2012, and as amended by that certain Three Year Credit Agreement Amendment No. 2, dated as of December 3, 2012, the Credit Agreement ), among Sherwin-Williams, CUSA, as administrative agent and issuing bank, and the Lenders party thereto. The primary purpose of Amendment No. 3 is to increase the amount available for borrowing and obtaining the issuance, renewal, extension and increase of a letter of credit by \$75 million up to an aggregate availability of \$250 million.

No borrowings have been made, and no letter of credit has been issued, under the Credit Agreement, as amended by Amendment No. 3.

Certain of the lenders, as well as certain of their respective affiliates, have performed and may in the future perform for Sherwin-Williams and its subsidiaries, various commercial banking, investment banking, lending, underwriting, trust services, financial advisory and other financial services, for which they have received and may in the future receive customary fees and expenses.

The foregoing description of Amendment No. 3 does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of Amendment No. 3, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 4 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.**

The information described in Item 1.01 above relating to Amendment No. 3 is incorporated herein by reference into this Item 2.03. As of the date of this report, Sherwin-Williams had no outstanding borrowing under the Credit Agreement, as amended by Amendment No. 3.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is filed with this report:

| Exhibit No. | Exhibit Description   |
|-------------|---|
| 4           | Three Year Credit Agreement Amendment No. 3, dated as of December 10, 2012, by and among The Sherwin-Williams Company, Citicorp USA, Inc., as administrative agent and issuing bank, and the Lenders party thereto. |

**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.

**THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY**

December 10, 2012

By: /s/ S. P. Hennessy  
S. P. Hennessy  
Senior Vice President - Finance and Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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