

MARSH & MCLENNAN COMPANIES, INC.
Form 8-K
March 09, 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) March 7, 2012

Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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| Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | 1-5998 (Commission File Number) | 36-2668272 (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
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| 1166 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY (Address of Principal Executive Offices) | 10036 (Zip Code) |
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 345-5000

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o 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 March 7, 2012, Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. (the “Company”) entered into an Underwriting Agreement (attached hereto as Exhibit 1.1 and incorporated herein by reference) with Barclays Capital Inc. and HSBC Securities (USA) Inc., as representatives of the several underwriters named therein (the “Underwriters”), pursuant to which the Underwriters agreed to purchase from the Company \$250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 2.30% senior notes due 2017 (the “Notes”). On March 7, 2012, the Company issued a press release announcing the pricing of the Notes. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The Notes are being offered and sold pursuant to the Company’s effective shelf registration statement (the “Registration Statement”) on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-161797) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 8, 2009, and a prospectus supplement dated March 7, 2012.

The Notes are expected to be issued on March 12, 2012, subject to certain customary conditions. The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture dated July 15, 2011, by and among the Company and The Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee (the “Trustee”), filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company’s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2011, to be supplemented by a Second Supplemental Indenture by and among the Company and the Trustee (attached hereto as Exhibit 4.1 and incorporated herein by reference).

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation

Subject to the issuance of the Notes, the information set forth under Item 1.01 above is incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

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4.1 Form of Second Supplemental Indenture between Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and The Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee.

4.2 Form of Note (included as an exhibit to Exhibit 4.1 above).

5.1 Opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP.

23.1 Consent of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1 above).

99.1 Press release issued by Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. on March 7, 2012.

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.

MARSH & McLENNAN COMPANIES,
INC.

By: /s/ Katherine J. Brennan
Name: Katherine J. Brennan
Title: Assistant Secretary

Date: March 9, 2012

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