NORDSTROM INC Form 8-K November 24, 2009

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) November 17, 2009

NORDSTROM, INC.

(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

WASHINGTON
(STATE OR OTHER
JURISDICTION
OF INCORPORATION)

001-15059 (COMMISSION FILE

91-0515058 (I.R.S. EMPLOYER

IDENTIFICATION NO.)

1617 SIXTH AVENUE, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON (ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES) (ZIP CODE)

NUMBER)

REGISTRANT S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE (206) 628-2111 INAPPLICABLE

(FORMER NAME OR FORMER ADDRESS IF CHANGED SINCE LAST REPORT)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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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 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On November 17, 2009, the Compensation Committee (the Committee) of the Board of Directors of Nordstrom, Inc. (the Company) approved the form of 2010 Stock Option Award Agreement. Any stock options awarded under this agreement will be pursuant to the terms of the Nordstrom, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (the Plan). Such awards will have a term of ten years with an exercise price equivalent to the fair market value of the Company s stock on the date of grant. Under the terms of the agreement, vesting of any grant would occur at a rate of 25% annually, beginning one year from the date of the grant. A copy of the form of 2010 Stock Option Award Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1.

In addition, on November 17, 2009 the Committee approved the form of 2010 Performance Share Unit Award Agreement. Performance Share Units (PSUs) are granted pursuant to the terms of the Nordstrom, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan. PSUs entitle the participant to settle in shares of Company Common Stock or to elect cash in lieu thereof upon the achievement of such performance goals as may be established by the Committee at the time of grant based on any one or combination of certain performance criteria enumerated in the Plan. If granted, any 2010 PSUs will be earned over a three-year period from fiscal year 2010 through fiscal year 2012. The percentage of PSUs granted that will actually be earned at the end of the three-year period is based on the Company s total shareholder return compared to the total shareholder return of companies in a pre-defined group of retail peers. Additionally, PSUs will only be earned if the Company s total shareholder return for the period is positive. A copy of the 2010 Performance Share Unit Award Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.2.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit	
Number	Description
10.1	2010 Stock Option Award Agreement.
10.2	2010 Performance Share Unit Award Agreement.

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.

NORDSTROM, INC.

By: /s/ Robert B. Sari
Robert B. Sari
Executive Vice President, General
Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Dated: November 23, 2009

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