ADVANCE AUTO PARTS INC Form 8-K January 17, 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): January 11, 2012

# ADVANCE AUTO PARTS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State of Incorporation)

001-16797 (Commission **54-2049910** (IRS Employer

File Number)

**Identification Number**)

5008 Airport Road, Roanoke, Virginia (Address of Principal Executive Offices) Registrant s telephone number, including area code (540) 362-4911 24012 (Zip Code)

#### Not Applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " 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 January 11, 2012, Advance Auto Parts, Inc. (the Company ) entered into an Underwriting Agreement (the Underwriting Agreement ) by and among the Company, the Subsidiary Guarantors signatory thereto (the Subsidiary Guarantors ), and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc. and Wells Fargo Securities LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters listed in Schedule 1 thereto, pursuant to which the Company agreed to sell \$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.500% Notes due January 15, 2022 (the Notes ) to the Underwriters at a public offering price of 99.968% of the principal amount per note. The Underwriting Agreement contains customary representations, warranties and agreements of the Company and customary conditions to closing, indemnification rights and obligations of the parties.

The estimated net proceeds from the offering of the Notes is approximately \$297.4 million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by the Company. The Company will use the net proceeds from this offering to repay indebtedness outstanding under the Company s \$750 million unsecured five-year revolving credit facility (the Company s wholly-owned subsidiary, Advance Stores Company, Incorporated, is the borrower). As of October 8, 2011, the amount of indebtedness outstanding under the Company s revolving credit was approximately \$299.2 million. Amounts repaid under the Company s revolving credit facility may be reborrowed from time to time for operational purposes, working capital needs, capital expenditures and other general corporate purposes. The Company intends to use the remaining net proceeds, if any, for general corporate purposes. Certain affiliates of the underwriters are lenders under the revolving credit facility.

The terms of the Notes are governed by an Indenture, dated as of April 29, 2010 (the Base Indenture ), among the Company, the Subsidiary Guarantors and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as Trustee (the Trustee ), as supplemented and modified by the First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of April 29, 2010, (the First Supplemental Indenture ), the Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of May 27, 2011 (the Second Supplemental Indenture ), and the Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of January 17, 2012 (the Third Supplemental Indenture and, together with the Base Indenture, the First Supplemental Indenture and the Second Supplemental Indenture, the Indenture ).

The Notes bear interest at a rate of 4.500% per year payable semi-annually in arrears on January 15 and July 15 of each year, commencing on July 15, 2012. The Notes may be redeemed in whole at any time or in part from time to time prior to October 15, 2021 (three months prior to the maturity date of the Notes), at the Company s option, at the greater of 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed or at a make-whole redemption price determined by using a discount rate of the applicable Treasury Rate plus 40 basis points, plus, in each case, accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date. The Notes may be redeemed in whole at any time or in part from time to time on or after October 15, 2021 (three months prior to the maturity date of the Notes), at the Company s option, at 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date. In addition, in the event of a Change of Control Triggering Event (as defined in the Indenture), the Company will be required to offer to repurchase the Notes at a price equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the repurchase date. The Notes initially will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed, jointly and severally, on an unsubordinated and unsecured basis by each of the Subsidiary Guarantors. The Company will be permitted to release guarantees without the consent of holders of the Notes under the circumstances described in the Indenture.

The Indenture contains customary provisions for events of default including for failure to pay principal or interest when due and payable, failure to comply with covenants or agreements in the Indenture or the Notes and failure to cure or obtain a waiver of such default upon notice, a default under any debt for money borrowed by the Company or any of its subsidiaries that results in acceleration of the maturity of such debt, or failure to pay any such debt within any applicable grace period after final stated maturity, in an aggregate amount greater than \$25.0 million without such debt having been discharged or acceleration having been rescinded or annulled within 10 days after receipt by the Company of notice of the default by the trustee or holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of the notes then outstanding, and events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization affecting the Company and certain of its subsidiaries. In the case of an event of default (other than an event of default resulting from certain events involving bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization), the principal amount of the Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest may be accelerated. The Indenture also contains covenants limiting the ability of the Company and its subsidiaries to incur debt secured by liens and to enter into sale and lease back transactions.

The offering of the Notes was registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, pursuant to the Company s shelf registration statement on Form S-3 declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on April 26, 2010, as amended by Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 thereto (File No. 333-166291, as amended and supplemented, the Registration Statement).

The foregoing description of the Underwriting Agreement, Base Indenture, First Supplemental Indenture, Second Supplemental Indenture, Third Supplemental Indenture, and Notes are qualified in their entirety by the Underwriting Agreement, Base Indenture, First Supplemental Indenture, Second Supplemental Indenture, Third Supplemental Indenture and form of Note, respectively, which are incorporated herein by reference and are attached hereto as Exhibits 1.1, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 and 4.5, respectively.

The agreements included as exhibits to this Form 8-K (including the exhibits to such agreements), which are being filed to provide investors with information regarding their terms, contain various representations, warranties and covenants of, among others, the Company. They are not intended to provide any factual information about any of the parties thereto or any subsidiaries of the parties thereto. The representations, warranties and covenants were made for purposes of each of the agreements, solely for the benefit of the parties thereto.

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

The information provided in Item 1.01 with respect to the Company s issuance of the Notes is incorporated by reference herein.

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

A copy of the Company s press release announcing the closing of the offering of the Notes is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

#### (d) Exhibits.

The exhibits listed in the following index relate to an offering under the Registration Statement and each is filed herewith for incorporation by reference in such Registration Statement.

Exhibit No.	Description
1.1	Underwriting Agreement, dated January 11, 2012, by and among Advance Auto Parts, Inc., the Subsidiary Guarantors signatory thereto and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc., and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as Representatives of the several Underwriters listed in Schedule 1 thereto.
4.1(1)	Indenture, dated as of April 29, 2010, among Advance Auto Parts, Inc., each of the Subsidiary Guarantors from time to time party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee.
4.2(1)	First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of April 29, 2010, among Advance Auto Parts, Inc., each of the Subsidiary Guarantors from time to time party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee.
4.3(2)	Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of May 27, 2011, among Advance Auto Parts, Inc., each of the Subsidiary Guarantors from time to time party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee.
4.4	Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of January 17, 2012, among Advance Auto Parts, Inc., each of the Subsidiary Guarantors from time to time party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee.
4.5	Form of 4.500% Note due 2022.
5.1	Opinion of Bingham McCutchen LLP.
12.1	Statement Regarding Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.

- 23.1 Consent of Bingham McCutchen LLP (contained in the opinion filed as Exhibit 5.1 hereto).
- 25.1(1) Form T-1 Statement of Eligibility of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association.
- 99.1 Press Release, dated January 17, 2012, issued by Advance Auto Parts, Inc.
- (1) Incorporated by reference from the same numbered exhibit to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 29, 2010.
- (2) Incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.45 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 3, 2011.

Note: The information contained in Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be deemed to be filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section.

#### **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.

ADVANCE AUTO PARTS, INC.

Date: January 17, 2012 By: /s/ Michael A. Norona

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Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

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