

DiamondRock Hospitality Co
Form 8-K
December 21, 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 20, 2012

DiamondRock Hospitality Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Maryland

001-32514
(Commission)

20-1180098

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(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

File Number)

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

3 Bethesda Metro Center, Suite 1500

Bethesda, MD 20814

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(240) 744-1150

(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 (*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 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On December 20, 2012, DiamondRock Hospitality Company (the Company) issued a press release announcing the closing of a \$74 million loan secured by a mortgage on its Westin Washington D.C. City Center hotel. A copy of that press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report. The press release has also been posted in the investor relations/presentations section of the Company's website at www.drhc.com.

The information contained in the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report shall not be deemed 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. Furthermore, the information contained in the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference in the filings of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

ITEM 8.01. Other Events.

On December 20, 2012, the Company closed on a \$74 million loan secured by a mortgage on its Westin Washington D.C. City Center hotel. The loan has a term of 10 years and bears interest at a fixed rate of 3.99 percent. The Company used the net proceeds from the loan to repay a portion of the outstanding borrowings under its senior unsecured credit facility.

ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

See Index to Exhibits attached hereto.

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.

DIAMONDROCK HOSPITALITY COMPANY

Date: December 21, 2012

By: /s/ William J. Tennis
William J. Tennis
Executive Vice President, General Counsel and
Corporate Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 99.1 | Press release dated December 20, 2012 |