

STARBUCKS CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 08, 2015

**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 8, 2015**

**Starbucks Corporation**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Washington**  
**(State of**

**0-20322**  
**(Commission**

**91-1325671**  
**(IRS Employer**

**Incorporation)**

**File Number)**

**Identification No.)**

**2401 Utah Avenue South,**

**Seattle, Washington 98134**

**(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)**

**(206) 447-1575**

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

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:

- ..  Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- ..  Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- ..  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 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On January 8, 2015, Starbucks Corporation (Starbucks or the Company ) announced that Troy Alstead, Starbucks chief operating officer, is taking an extended unpaid leave from the Company effective March 1, 2015. Further transition plans will be detailed by Mr. Alstead and Howard Schultz, Starbucks chairman, president and chief executive officer, on the Company's Q1 earnings call, scheduled for January 22, 2015.

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

A copy of the Company's press release relating to the foregoing announcement, dated January 8, 2015, is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

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

**(d) Exhibits:**

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release dated January 8, 2015

**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.

**STARBUCKS CORPORATION**

Dated: January 8, 2015

By: /s/ Lucy Lee Helm  
Name: Lucy Lee Helm  
Title: executive vice president, general counsel  
and secretary

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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