

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC
Form 8-K
May 04, 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)

May 4, 2012

The Estée Lauder Companies Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

767 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York

(Address of principal executive offices)

1-14064

(Commission File Number)

11-2408943

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

10153

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

212-572-4200

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On May 4, 2012, The Estée Lauder Companies Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2012. The release also includes the Company's estimates related to its fiscal 2012 fourth quarter and full year net sales and diluted net earnings per common share. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | <u>Description</u> |
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| 99.1 | Press release dated May 4, 2012 of The Estée Lauder Companies Inc. |

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.

THE ESTÉE LAUDER COMPANIES INC.

Date: May 4, 2012

By: /s/ Richard W. Kunes
Richard W. Kunes
Executive Vice President
and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and
Accounting Officer)

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