PIPER JAFFRAY COMPANIES Form 8-K April 18, 2012

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

April 18, 2012

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported)

PIPER JAFFRAY COMPANIES

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State of Incorporation)

1-31720 (Commission **30-0168701** (I.R.S. Employer

File Number)

Identification No.)

800 Nicollet Mall, Suite 800

55402 (Zip Code)

Minneapolis, Minnesota

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (612) 303-6000

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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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 April 18, 2012, Piper Jaffray Companies (the Company) reported its financial results for its first fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2012. See the Company s press release dated April 18, 2012, which is furnished as Exhibit 99 hereto.

Item 9.01. <u>Financial Statements and Exhibits.</u>

(d) Exhibit

99 Press Release dated April 18, 2012

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.

PIPER JAFFRAY COMPANIES

Date: April 18, 2012

By /s/ Debbra L. Schoneman Debbra L. Schoneman Chief Financial Officer

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