LIFETIME BRANDS, INC Form 8-K March 15, 2013

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): March 12, 2013

Lifetime Brands, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

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0-1925411-2682486(Commission(IRS EmployerFile Number)Identification No.)

1000 Stewart Avenue, Garden City, New York 11530

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code) 516-683-6000

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report) N/A

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- "Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 12, 2013, Lifetime Brands, Inc. (the Company) entered into an Amendment of Employment Agreement with Craig Phillips, the Company's Senior Vice-President Distribution and Executive Officer, pursuant to which, among other things, Mr. Phillips's base salary was increased to \$360,000 and certain provisions related to payments in the event of termination due to a change in control were added.

The information provided in this Item 5.02 is qualified in its entirety by reference to the terms of the agreement attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

10.1 Amendment of Employment Agreement dated March 12, 2013 between Lifetime Brands, Inc. and Craig Phillips.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

Lifetime Brands, Inc.

By: /s/ Laurence Winoker Laurence Winoker Senior Vice President Finance, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 15, 2013