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LIFETIME BRANDS, INC Form 8-K February 12, 2010

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): February 12, 2010

Lifetime Brands, Inc. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

0-19254 (Commission File Number) 11-2682486 (IRS Employer 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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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On February 12, 2010, Lifetime Brands, Inc. (the "Company") entered into Amendment No. 7 to the Company's Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "Amendment"). The Amendment, which is effective as of February 12, 2010 among other things: (i) permits the Company to purchase, from time to time, in the aggregate, up to \$15 million principal amount of the Company's 4.75% convertible notes and (ii) eliminates the requirement for the Company to obtain a consent from the lenders prior to consummating a Permitted Acquisition as defined in the credit facility. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant

The disclosure contained in "Item 1.01. — Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement" of this Current Report on Form 8-K is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Amendment No. 7 to Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement by and among Lifetime Brands, Inc., Lenders party hereto, Citibank, N.A. and Wachovia Bank, National Association, as Co-Documentation Agents, JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Syndication Agent, and HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Administrative Agent.

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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: February 12, 2010