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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 5, 2005 (January 4, 2005)

RITE AID CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

1-5742 23-1614034 Delaware (IRS Employer (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.) 30 Hunter Lane, Camp Hill, Pennsylvania 17011 ______ (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code (717) 761-2633 None ______ (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): [] 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))

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On Janaury 4, 2005, we announced the terms of an offering of \$200.0 million of our 7.5% senior secured notes due 2015. The transaction is expected to close on January 11, 2005. We intend to use the net proceeds from the offering, together with available cash, to repay at maturity our 7.625% senior notes due April 2005 and our 6.0% fixed-rate senior notes due December 2005. Until the stated maturity dates, we intend to use the net proceeds from this offering to repay temporarily borrowings under our revolving credit facility and obligations under our accounts receivable securitization program.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Registrant's Press Release, dated January 4, 2005.

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.

RITE AID CORPORATION

Dated: January 5, 2005 By: /s/Robert B. Sari

Name: Robert B. Sari

Title: Senior Vice President,

General Counsel and Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Registrant's Press Release dated Janaury 4, 2005.