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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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): September 7, 2016

THE TJX COMPANIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction

1-4908 (Commission File 04-2207613 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Number) 770 Cochituate Road, Framingham, MA 01701 **Identification No.)**

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(508) 390-1000

Registrant s telephone number, including area code

N/A

(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:

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- " 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))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On September 7, 2016, The TJX Companies, Inc. (the Company) entered into an Underwriting Agreement (the Underwriting Agreement) with Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named in Schedule 1 thereto, relating to the issuance and sale of \$1,000,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 2.250% notes due 2026 of the Company (the Notes).

The Notes were registered pursuant to an automatically effective shelf registration statement on Form S-3 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (Registration Statement No. 333-213521) (the Registration Statement) that was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 7, 2016. The Notes will be issued pursuant to a base indenture, as supplemented by a first supplemental indenture, in each case to be executed by and between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee. The Company is expected to complete the issuance and sale of the Notes on or about September 12, 2016, subject to the satisfaction of customary closing conditions.

In order to furnish certain exhibits for incorporation by reference into the Registration Statement, the Company is filing the Underwriting Agreement and the opinion of Ropes & Gray LLP relating to the validity of the Notes as Exhibits 1.1 and 5.1, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K. Certain information relating to Part II, Item 14 Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution of the Registration Statement is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

No. Description

- 1.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated as of September 7, 2016, by and among The TJX Companies, Inc., as issuer, and Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named in Schedule 1 thereto.
- 5.1 Opinion of Ropes & Gray LLP as to the validity of the Notes.
- 23.1 Consent of Ropes & Gray LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
- 99.1 Information relating to Part II, Item 14 Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution of the Registration Statement.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

THE TJX COMPANIES, INC.

Date: September 9, 2016 By: /s/ Ann McCauley

Name: Ann McCauley

Title: Executive Vice President,

Secretary and General Counsel

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