

Higher One Holdings, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
August 23, 2011

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): August 22, 2011

HIGHER ONE HOLDINGS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or Other  
Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

001-34779  
(Commission  
File Number)

26-3025501  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification  
Number)

25 Science Park  
New Haven, CT  
(Address of principal executive offices)

06511  
(Zip Code)

(203) 776-7776  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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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 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

Item 1.02. Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 22, 2011, Higher One Holdings, Inc. (“Higher One”) and certain other parties to that certain Amended and Restated Investor Rights Agreement (the “Agreement”), dated August 26, 2008, terminated the Agreement in accordance with the termination provisions of the Agreement. Notwithstanding the termination, certain parties to the Agreement that continue to own (i) 5% or more of the total number of shares of common stock outstanding, or (ii) shares of common stock that are not freely sellable without volume limitations pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act, will have certain registration and other rights until August 8, 2015.

A copy of the fully executed Termination to Amended and Restated Investor Rights Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On August 23, 2011, Higher One announced that its board of directors authorized a share repurchase program pursuant to which Higher One may repurchase up to \$40 million of its issued and outstanding shares of common stock through September 7, 2012. Repurchases under the program may be effected through open market purchases, trading plans established in accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission rules, derivative transactions or other means. The timing and amount of repurchases under the authorization will depend on market conditions and Higher One’s other funding requirements.

The press release announcing the share repurchase program is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Termination to Amended and Restated Investor Rights Agreement, dated August 22, 2011.

99.2 Press release issued by Higher One on August 23, 2011.

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.

Dated: August 23, 2011

HIGHER ONE HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Mark Volchek  
Mark Volchek  
Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

| Exhibit<br>No. | Description   |
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