

ALTRIA GROUP, INC.
Form 8-K
June 11, 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): June 8, 2010

ALTRIA GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-8940
(Commission
File Number)

13-3260245
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

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6601 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia
(Address of principal executive offices)

23230
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (804) 274-2200

(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:

- ☐ 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))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On June 11, 2010, Altria Group, Inc. (the Company) issued \$800,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 4.125% Notes due 2015 (the Notes). The Notes were issued pursuant to an Indenture (the Indenture), dated as of November 4, 2008, among the Company, Philip Morris USA Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (PM USA), and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as trustee (the Trustee). The Notes are guaranteed by PM USA. PM USA's guarantee was issued pursuant to the Indenture and was evidenced by a guarantee agreement made by PM USA in favor of the Trustee for the Notes (the Guarantee Agreement).

The Notes will be the Company's senior unsecured obligations and will rank equally in right of payment with all of the Company's existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness. The Guarantee Agreement will be PM USA's senior unsecured obligation and will rank equally in right of payment with all of PM USA's existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness.

On June 8, 2010, the Company and PM USA entered into a Terms Agreement (the Terms Agreement) with Barclays Capital Inc., Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC and Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., as representatives of the several underwriters named therein (the Underwriters), pursuant to which the Company agreed to issue and sell the Notes to the Underwriters. The provisions of an Underwriting Agreement, dated as of November 4, 2008 (the Underwriting Agreement), are incorporated by reference in the Terms Agreement.

Interest on the Notes is payable semiannually on March 11 and September 11 of each year, commencing March 11, 2011, to holders of record on the preceding February 24 or August 27, as the case may be. The Notes will mature on September 11, 2015.

The Company has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a Prospectus dated November 4, 2008 (Registration No. 333-155009) and a Prospectus Supplement dated June 8, 2010 in connection with the public offering of the Notes.

The descriptions of the Underwriting Agreement, the Terms Agreement and the Guarantee Agreement are qualified in their entirety by the terms of such agreements themselves. Please refer to such agreements and the form of Notes, each of which is incorporated herein by reference and attached to this report as Exhibits 1.1, 1.2, 4.1 and 4.2, respectively.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

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1.2	Terms Agreement, dated June 8, 2010, among the Company, PM USA and Barclays Capital Inc., Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC and Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., as representatives of the several underwriters named therein
4.1	Guarantee Agreement for 4.125% Notes due 2015
4.2	Form of 4.125% Note due 2015
5.1	Opinion of Hunton & Williams LLP

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.

ALTRIA GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ W. HILDEBRANDT SURGNER, JR.
Name: W. Hildebrandt Surgner, Jr.
Title: Corporate Secretary and

Senior Assistant General Counsel

DATE: June 11, 2010

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