
**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 21, 2012**

THE GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

No. 001-14965
(Commission
File Number)

No. 13-4019460
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

200 West Street
New York, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

10282
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 902-1000

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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))
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

Credit Ratings: As part of its review of ratings of a number of global financial institutions, on June 21, 2012, Moody's Investors Service (Moody's) downgraded the credit ratings for The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (Group Inc.), Goldman Sachs Bank USA (GS Bank USA) and a number of other global financial institutions. Moody's current unsecured credit ratings for Group Inc., GS Bank USA and Goldman, Sachs & Co. (GS&Co.) as of June 21, 2012 are provided below:

| | Short-Term Debt | Long-Term Debt ¹ | Subordinated Debt | Rating Outlook | Trust Preferred ² | Preferred Stock ³ | Rating Outlook |
|------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Group Inc. | P-2 | A3 | Baa1 | Negative | Baa3 | Ba2 | Stable |

¹ Includes the senior guaranteed trust securities issued by Murray Street Investment Trust I.

² Trust preferred securities issued by Goldman Sachs Capital I.

³ Includes Group Inc.'s non-cumulative preferred stock and the Normal Automatic Preferred Enhanced Capital Securities (APEX) issued by Goldman Sachs Capital II and Goldman Sachs Capital III.

| | Short-Term Debt | Short-Term Bank Deposits | Long-Term Debt | Long-Term Bank Deposits | Rating Outlook |
|-------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| GS Bank USA | P-1 | P-1 | A2 | A2 | Stable |
| GS&Co. | P-1 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

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 GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP, INC.
(Registrant)

Date: June 21, 2012

By: /s/ Kenneth L. Josselyn

Name: Kenneth L. Josselyn
Title: Assistant Secretary