HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC

Form 8-K June 11, 2015

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): June 8, 2015

HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 001-13100 56-1871668
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification Number)

HIGHWOODS REALTY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina 000-21731 56-1869557 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification Number)

3100 Smoketree Court, Suite 600 Raleigh, North Carolina 27604 (Address of principal executive offices, zip code)

Registrants' telephone number, including area code: (919) 872-4924

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On June 8, 2015, we amended our \$225.0 million, seven-year unsecured bank term loan, which was scheduled to mature in January 2019. We increased the borrowed amount to \$350.0 million and used the \$125.0 million of incremental new proceeds to repay amounts outstanding under our \$475.0 million unsecured revolving credit facility. The amended term loan is now scheduled to mature in June 2020 and the interest rate, based on our current credit ratings, was reduced from LIBOR plus 175 basis points to LIBOR plus 110 basis points. The interest rate is based on the higher of the publicly announced ratings from Moody's Investors Service or Standard & Poor's Ratings Services. The financial and other covenants under the amended term loan are unchanged.

The foregoing description of the amended term loan is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Item Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a 2.03. Registrant.

The information in this report set forth above under Item 1.01 is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

No. Description

First Amendment to Amended and Restated Seven-Year Term Loan Agreement, dated as of June 8, 2015, by and 10 among the Company, the Operating Partnership, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent, and the Other Lenders named therein

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the registrants has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC.

By: /s/ Jeffrey D. Miller

Jeffrey D. Miller

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and

Secretary

HIGHWOODS REALTY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: Highwoods Properties, Inc., its general partner

By: /s/ Jeffrey D. Miller

Jeffrey D. Miller

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and

Secretary

Dated: June 11, 2015