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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

January 10, 2017

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported)

ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-11736 30-0641353 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Number)

933 MacArthur Boulevard Mahwah, New Jersey 07430 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(551) 777-6700

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On January 10, 2017, Ascena Retail Group, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release disclosing material non-public information regarding its sales results for the Holiday period from November 19, 2016 to January 2, 2017. The Company is also lowering its earnings per diluted share guidance for the 52-week period ending July 29, 2017. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference into this Item 7.01.

The information in Item 7.01 of this Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated January 10, 2017.

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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.

ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, INC. (Registrant)

Date: January 10, 2017

By:/s/ Ernest LaPorte Ernest LaPorte Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)