

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)

November 30, 2007

RENT-A-CENTER, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

0-25370

(Commission File Number)

45-0491516

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

5501 Headquarters Drive
Plano, Texas 75024

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(972) 801-1100

(Registrant's telephone
number, including area code)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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)).

Item 2.05 Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities.

On December 3, 2007, Rent-A-Center, Inc. (the "**Company**"), issued a press release announcing the closing of approximately 280 stores across the United States. The 280 stores identified will be closed and merged with existing Company store locations over the next ninety (90) days. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

The decision to close these stores was based on management's analysis and evaluation of the markets in which the Company operates, including the Company's operating results, competitive positioning and growth potential for the affected stores. The Company expects to incur pre-tax restructuring charges related to the store consolidation plan and other restructuring items in the range of \$36.0 million to \$43.0 million, substantially all of which will be recorded in the fourth quarter of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2007. The estimated costs (in thousands) are as follows:

Category	Low Estimate	High Estimate
Lease termination expense	\$26,200	\$29,550
Fixed asset disposal	9,800	9,800
One time termination benefits	--	250
Other	--	3,400
Total	\$36,000	\$43,000

The Company expects the cash outlay associated with this restructuring will be in the range of \$26.0 million to \$30.5 million over the next 12 to 18 months.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1
Press Release, dated December 3, 2007.

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.

RENT-A-CENTER, INC.

Date: December 3, 2007

By: /s/ Robert D. Davis

Robert D. Davis
Senior Vice President - Finance, Chief Financial
Officer and Treasurer

EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release, dated December 3, 2007

RENT-A-CENTER, INC. ANNOUNCES

STORE CONSOLIDATION PLAN

Plano, Texas, December 3, 2007 - Rent-A-Center, Inc. (the "Company") (NASDAQ/NGS:RCII), the nation's largest rent-to-own operator, today announced plans to close approximately 280 stores across the U.S.

"We continually analyze every aspect of our business in an effort to improve operating and financial performance," commented Mark E. Speese, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Rent-A-Center, Inc. "Accordingly, we evaluated every market in which we operate based on operating results, competitive positioning, and growth potential. As a result, we identified approximately 280 stores that we intend to close and merge with existing Rent-A-Center stores within the next 90 days," Speese stated.

The Company expects to incur pre-tax restructuring charges related to the store consolidation plan and other restructuring items in the range of \$36.0 million to \$43.0 million, substantially all of which will be recorded in the fourth quarter of our fiscal year ending December 31, 2007. The estimated cost with respect to this restructuring relates primarily to lease terminations, fixed asset disposals and other miscellaneous items. The Company expects the cash outlay associated with this restructuring will be in the range of \$26.0 million to \$30.5 million over the next 12 to 18 months. The 280 stores identified generated revenues of approximately \$140.0 million year-to-date through October 31, 2007. These stores will transfer their customer rental purchase agreements to existing Rent-A-Center stores and the Company expects to retain the majority of these rental purchase agreements. At the conclusion of the restructuring, the Company expects a pre-tax monthly operating income benefit in the range of \$2.0 million to \$2.5 million.

Rent-A-Center, Inc., headquartered in Plano, Texas, currently operates approximately 3,355 company-owned stores nationwide and in Canada and Puerto Rico. The stores generally offer high-quality, durable goods such as major consumer electronics, appliances, computers and furniture and accessories under flexible rental purchase agreements that generally allow the customer to obtain ownership of the merchandise at the conclusion of an agreed upon rental period. ColorTyme, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, is a national franchiser of approximately 210 rent-to-own stores operating under the trade name of "ColorTyme."

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This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Such forward-looking statements generally can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "may," "will," "expect," "intend," "could," "estimate," "should," "anticipate," or "believe," or the negative thereof or variations thereon or similar terminology. Although the Company believes that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements will prove to be correct, the Company can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to have been correct. The actual future performance of the Company could differ materially from such statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to: uncertainties regarding additional costs and expenses that could be incurred in connection with the store consolidation plan; uncertainties regarding the ability to open new rent-to-own stores; the Company's ability to acquire additional rent-to-own stores on favorable terms; the Company's ability to identify and successfully enter new lines of business offering products and services that appeal to its customer demographic, including its financial services products; the Company's ability to enhance the performance of acquired stores, including the Rent-Way stores acquired in November 2006; the Company's ability to control costs; the Company's ability to identify and successfully market products and services that appeal to its customer demographic; the Company's ability to enter into new and collect on its rental purchase agreements; the Company's ability to enter into new and collect on its short term loans; the passage of legislation adversely affecting the rent-to-own or financial services industries; interest rates; economic pressures affecting the disposable income available to the Company's targeted consumers, such as high fuel and utility costs; changes in the Company's stock price and the number of shares of common stock that it may or may not repurchase; changes in estimates relating to self-insurance liabilities and income tax and litigation reserves; changes in the Company's effective tax rate; the Company's ability to maintain an effective system of internal controls; changes in the number of share-based compensation grants, methods used to value future share-based payments and changes in estimated forfeiture rates with respect to share-based compensation; the resolution of the Company's litigation; the court hearing the Walker case could refuse to approve the settlement or could require changes to the settlement that are unacceptable to the Company or the plaintiffs; one or more parties filing an objection to the settlement of the Walker case; and the other risks detailed from time to time in our SEC reports, including but not limited to, the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006, and its quarterly reports for the quarters ended March 31, 2007, June 30, 2007, and September 30, 2007. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this press release. Except as required by law, the Company is not obligated to publicly release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect the events or circumstances after the date of this press release or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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