

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): **August 13, 2012**

**Monster Beverage Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**0-18761**

(Commission File Number)

**39-1679918**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**550 Monica Circle Suite 201**

**Corona, California 92880**

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

**(951) 739 - 6200**

(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:

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- 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 August 13, 2012, Monster Beverage Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that the Company's Board of Directors has authorized an increase in its share repurchase program to repurchase an additional \$250 million of its outstanding common stock. As of August 13, 2012, the total amount available under the authorization is \$500 million. The Company expects the share repurchases to be made from time to time in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions, or otherwise, subject to applicable laws, regulations and approvals. The timing of the share repurchases will depend on a variety of factors, including market conditions, and share repurchases may be suspended or discontinued at any time.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

***Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.***

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated August 13, 2012.

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.

Monster Beverage Corporation

Date: August 13, 2012

/s/ Hilton H. Schlosberg

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Hilton H. Schlosberg  
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**MONSTER BEVERAGE BOARD ANNOUNCES  
ADDITIONAL \$250 MILLION SHARE REPURCHASE AUTHORIZATION**

**Corona, CA**— August 13, 2012 — Monster Beverage Corporation (NASDAQ:MNST) today announced that its Board of Directors has authorized an increase in its share repurchase program to repurchase an additional \$250 million of its outstanding common stock. As of August 13, 2012, the total amount available under the authorization is \$500 million. The Company expects the share repurchases to be made from time to time in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions, or otherwise, subject to applicable laws, regulations and approvals. The timing of the share repurchases will depend on a variety of factors, including market conditions, and share repurchases may be suspended or discontinued at any time.

**Monster Beverage Corporation**

Based in Corona, California, Monster Beverage Corporation is a marketer and distributor of energy drinks and alternative beverages. The Company markets and distributes Monster Energy® brand energy drinks, Monster Energy Extra Strength Nitrous Technology® brand energy drinks, Java Monster® brand non-carbonated coffee + energy drinks, X-Presso Monster® brand non-carbonated espresso energy drinks, M3® Monster Energy® Super Concentrate energy drinks, Monster Rehab® non-carbonated rehydration energy drinks, Übermonster™ energy drinks, Worx Energy® shots, and Peace Tea® iced teas, as well as Hansen's® natural sodas, apple juice and juice blends, multi-vitamin juices, Junior Juice® beverages, Blue Sky® beverages, Hubert's® Lemonades, Vidration® vitamin enhanced waters, and PRE® Probiotic drinks. For more information visit [www.monsterbevcorp.com](http://www.monsterbevcorp.com).

**Forward-Looking Statements**

*Certain statements made in this announcement may constitute “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Management cautions that these statements are based on management’s current knowledge and expectations and are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, many of which are outside of the control of the Company, that could cause actual results and events to differ materially from the statements made herein. For a more detailed discussion of the risks that could affect our operating results, see our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our annual report on Form 10-K and our subsequently filed quarterly reports on Form 10-Q. The Company’s actual results could differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements, including with respect to the repurchase program. The Company assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.*