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) May 5, 2005

NORDSTROM, INC. (EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

91-0515058

WASHINGTON	001-15059

(STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION (COMMISSION FILE (I.R.S. EMPLOYER OF INCORPORATION) NUMBER) IDENTIFICATION NO.)

1617 SIXTH AVENUE, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON98101(ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)(ZIP CODE)

REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE (206) 628-2111

INAPPLICABLE

(FORMER NAME OR FORMER ADDRESS IF CHANGED SINCE LAST REPORT)

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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

The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Nordstrom, Inc. (the "Compensation Committee") recently approved bonus goals, performance levels and award levels that may be earned during the fiscal year ending January 28, 2006 ("Fiscal Year 2005") under the Company's shareholder approved Executive Management Group Bonus Plan (the "Plan").

Under the Plan, bonus awards are paid only when performance goals are achieved. The bonus target and maximum payments are expressed as a percentage of base salary and the bonus goals vary by position depending on each participant's area of responsibility and influence.

Fiscal Year 2005 bonus arrangements for the Company's Named Executive Officers were approved by the Compensation Committee as follows:

Named	Bonus Target	Bonus Maximum		Bonus
Executive	as a % of	as a % of	Bonus	Measure
Officer	Base Salary	Base Salary	Measures	Weighting

Blake W. Nordstrom President	100%	250.0%	-Earnings before taxes/ Return on invested capital	100.0%
Peter E. Nordstrom Executive Vice President	125%	312.5%	-Earnings before taxes/ Return on invested capital -Full-Line Stores net income	75.0% 25.0%
Erik B. Nordstrom Executive Vice President	125%	312.5%	-Earnings before taxes/ Return on invested capital -Full-Line Stores net income	75.0% 25.0%
Michael G. Koppel Executive Vice President	60%	150.0%	-Earnings before taxes/ Return on invested capital -Planning & budget initiative -Expense initiative	75.0% 12.5% 12.5%
James O'Neal Executive Vice President	60%	150.0%	-Earnings before taxes -Nordstrom Product Group gross margin return on investment -Nordstrom Product Group total expenses	75.0% 15.0% 10.0%

ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On May 5, 2005, Nordstrom, Inc. issued a press release announcing its preliminary April 2005 sales. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

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.

NORDSTROM, INC.

By: /s/ Michael G. Koppel

Michael G. Koppel Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: May 5, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT NUMBER DESCRIPTION 99.1 Nordstrom April 2005 Preliminary Sales Release, dated May 5, 2005. For Immediate Release May 5, 2005

NORDSTROM APRIL SAME-STORE SALES INCREASE 6.9 PERCENT

SEATTLE - May 5, 2005 - Nordstrom, Inc. (NYSE: JWN) today reported preliminary sales of \$531.7 million for the four-week period ending April 30, 2005, an increase of 8.1 percent compared to sales of \$491.7 million for the four-week period ending May 1, 2004. Same-store sales increased 6.9 percent (1).

Preliminary first quarter sales of \$1.7 billion increased 7.7 percent compared to 2004 first quarter sales of \$1.5 billion. First quarter same-store sales increased 6.2 percent.

SALES RECORDING

To hear Nordstrom's prerecorded April sales message, please dial (402) 220-6036. This recording will be available for one week.

SALES
SUMMARY
Total Sales
Same-store
Sales (1)
(unaudited;
Fiscal
Fiscal
Percent
Total Full-
Line Rack \$
in millions) 2005 2004
Increase
Retail
Stores
Stores
April \$531.7
\$491.7 8.1% 6.9% 4.7%
0.9% 4.7% 19.4% First
Quarter
\$1,654.4
\$1,535.5
7.7% 6.2%
7.7% 6.2% 4.6% 17.5%
Number of
stores Full-
line 95 93
Rack and
other 56 56
International Faconnable
boutiques 31
31
Total 182
180 Gross
square
footage
19,550,000
19,289,000

FUTURE REPORTING DATESNordstrom's financial release calendar for the next several months iscurrently planned as follows:First Quarter EarningsTues., May 17, 2005Shareholder MeetingTues., May 24, 2005May Sales ReleaseThurs., June 2, 2005June Sales ReleaseThurs., July 7, 2005July Sales ReleaseThurs., Aug. 4, 2005

with 151 US stores located in 27 states. Founded in 1901 as a shoe store in Seattle, today Nordstrom operates 95 full-line stores, 49 Nordstrom Racks, five Faconnable boutiques, one free-standing shoe store, and one clearance store. Nordstrom also operates 31 international Faconnable boutiques in Europe. Additionally, Nordstrom serves customers through its online presence at http://www.nordstrom.com and through its direct mail catalogs. Investor Contact: Stephanie Allen, 206-303-3262

(1) Effective February 2005, Nordstrom Direct sales, which include catalog and Internet, are included in Total Retail same-store sales. To serve as a basis for comparison, as this was not the case last year, a presentation of 2004 monthly, quarterly and full-year same-store sales that includes Nordstrom Direct is available on the Investor Relations homepage of our website under Recent Reports.