# 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 23, 2010

# **GUESS?**, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

#### Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-11893 (Commission File Number) 95-3679695

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

# 1444 S. Alameda Street Los Angeles, California 90021

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (213) 765-3100

#### Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

## Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

Guess?, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release on November 23, 2010 announcing its financial results for the quarter ended October 30, 2010. A copy of the press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto.

The information in this Item 2.02 of Form 8-K is being furnished hereby and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of such section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
- 99.1 Press Release of Guess?, Inc. dated November 23, 2010 (financial results for the quarter ended October 30, 2010)

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Guess?, Inc. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: November 23, 2010 GUESS?, INC.

By: /s/ Dennis R. Secor

Dennis R. Secor Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release of Guess?, Inc. dated November 23, 2010 (financial results for the quarter ended October 30, 2010)

#### GUESS?, INC. REPORTS 9% INCREASE IN THIRD QUARTER EPS TO \$0.75

Raises Full Year EPS Guidance to a Range of \$3.02 to \$3.06 from a Range of \$2.80 to \$2.85

Provides Fourth Quarter EPS Guidance in the Range of \$1.02 to \$1.06

Declares Special Dividend of \$2.00 per Share and Increases Quarterly Dividend 25% to \$0.20 per Share

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 23, 2010 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ --

#### **Third Quarter Fiscal 2011 Highlights**

- Third quarter revenue increased 17% to a record of \$614 million
  - European revenue increased 40% in local currency and 28% in US dollars
  - Asian revenue increased 35%
  - North American retail revenue increased 6%
- Operating margin, including impairment charges, declined 380 basis points to 15.1% from 18.9%
- Net earnings increased 8% to \$69 million

Guess?, Inc. (NYSE: GES) today reported financial results for the third quarter of its 2011 fiscal year, which ended October 30, 2010.

#### **Third Quarter Fiscal 2011 Results**

For the third quarter of fiscal 2011, the Company reported record net earnings of \$69.1 million, a 7.8% increase compared to net earnings of \$64.1 million for the third quarter of fiscal 2010. Diluted earnings per share increased 8.7%, reaching \$0.75, compared to \$0.69 for the prior-year quarter.

Paul Marciano, Chief Executive Officer, commented, "We are very pleased with our third quarter performance, which exceeded our expectations for top line growth, operating margin and earnings. We grew all of our businesses and made significant progress on several key initiatives. We expanded our retail presence, opening 84 new stores around the world. Our international expansion continues to drive our growth, with Europe and Asia combining to contribute two-thirds of this quarter's revenue increase. And, we continued to build management strength, filling several key positions during the quarter."

Mr. Marciano continued, "As a Company, we remain focused on delivering value to our shareholders. Our strong capital structure and significant cash position give us the flexibility to significantly enhance our dividend program while continuing to invest in our future. Our commitment and belief in the Guess brand and its long term potential has never been stronger. While our brand already enjoys tremendous recognition around the world, we know that there are many regions where our current business has much more potential. Our success in new international markets validates this conviction. Our strategy is to continue to invest in our brand and business, developing new markets while building the necessary infrastructure and partnerships to support our growth. Above all, we will protect our most important asset – the Guess brand – by constantly adapting ourselves to the new world, but always maintaining integrity and staying true to who we are."

Total net revenue for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 increased 17.4% to \$613.9 million from \$522.8 million in the prior-year quarter. In constant dollars, total net revenue increased 20.6%.

The Company's retail stores in North America generated revenue of \$253.7 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2011, a 5.9% increase from \$239.5 million in the same period a year ago. Comparable store sales increased 1.5% in US dollars and 0.6% in local currency for the third quarter of fiscal 2011, compared to the same period a year ago. The Company owned and operated 473 retail stores in the United States and Canada at the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2011 versus 433 stores a year earlier.

Net revenue from the Company's North American wholesale segment increased 22.0% to \$56.3 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2011, from \$46.1 million in the prior-year period.

Net revenue from the Company's Europe segment increased 28.0% to \$216.2 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2011, compared to \$168.8 million in the prior-year period. In local currency, net revenue increased 40.5%.

Net revenue from the Company's Asia segment increased 35.1% to \$54.8 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2011, from \$40.5 million in the prior-year period.

Licensing segment net revenue increased 18.6% to \$33.0 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2011, from \$27.8 million in the prior-year period.

Operating earnings for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 decreased 6.3% to \$92.7 million (including a \$3.7 million unfavorable currency translation impact) from \$99.0 million in the prior-year period. Operating margin in the third quarter decreased 380 basis points to 15.1%, compared to the prior-year quarter. The decline in operating margin primarily reflects the effect of currency on product purchases, the impact of higher markdowns, higher store selling and infrastructure costs to support the Company's global retail expansion, store impairment charges in North America and Europe and higher performance-based compensation. Other net income, which primarily relates to net unrealized mark-to-market gains on non-operating assets and foreign currency contracts and balances, was \$5.9 million for the third quarter of fiscal 2011, compared to other net expense of \$1.3 million in the prior-year's quarter.

The Company's effective tax rate declined to 29.1% for the third quarter of fiscal 2011, from 33.0% for the third quarter of the prior year.

#### **Nine-Month Period Results**

For the nine months ended October 30, 2010, the Company reported net earnings of \$186.2 million, an increase of 19.2% compared to net earnings of \$156.2 million for the nine months ended October 31, 2009. Diluted earnings per share increased 19.0% to \$2.00 per share in the first nine months of the 2011 fiscal year versus \$1.68 per share in the comparable nine-month period last year.

Total net revenue for the first nine months of fiscal 2011 increased 16.4% to \$1,730.4 million from \$1,486.4 million in the prior-year period. In constant dollars, total net revenue increased 17.0%. The Company's retail stores in North America generated revenue of \$731.3 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2011, an 8.4% increase from \$674.5 million in the same period a year ago. Comparable store sales increased 2.6% in local currency and 4.7% in US dollars for the nine months ended October 30, 2010, compared to the nine months ended October 31, 2009. Net revenue from the Company's North America wholesale segment increased 26.9% to \$143.3 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2011, from \$112.9 million in the prior-year period. Net revenue from the Company's Europe segment increased 19.2% to \$625.5 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2011, compared to \$524.7 million in the prior-year period. In local currency, Europe segment revenue increased 26.0%. Net revenue from the Company's Asia segment increased 42.2% to \$145.5 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2011, compared to \$102.4 million in the prior-year period. Licensing segment net revenue increased 17.9% to \$84.8 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2011, from \$71.9 million in the prior-year period.

Operating earnings for the first nine months of fiscal 2011 increased 9.3% to \$260.3 million (including a \$2.7 million unfavorable currency translation impact) from \$238.1 million in the prior-year period. Operating margin in the first nine months of fiscal 2011 decreased 100 basis points to 15.0%, compared to the prior-year period. This operating margin decline was primarily the result of higher store selling and infrastructure costs to support the Company's global retail expansion, higher marketing investments, store impairment charges in North America and Europe and the pension curtailment expense recorded in the first quarter of fiscal 2011. Other net income, which primarily relates to net unrealized mark-to-market gains on non-operating assets and foreign currency contracts and balances, was \$9.0 million for the first nine months of fiscal 2011, compared to other net expense of \$1.4 million in the prior-year period.

## **Outlook**

The Company's expectations for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011 ending January 29, 2011, are as follows:

- Consolidated net revenues are expected to range from \$710 million to \$730 million.
- Operating margin is expected to be around 19.5%.
- Diluted earnings per share are expected to be in the range of \$1.02 to \$1.06.

The Company raised its outlook for the fiscal year ending January 29, 2011, which is now as follows:

- Consolidated net revenues are expected to range from \$2.44 billion to \$2.46 billion.
- Operating margin is expected to be about 16.5%.
- Diluted earnings per share are expected to be in the range of \$3.02 to \$3.06.

#### **Dividend**

The Company also announced today that its Board of Directors has approved an increase of its quarterly cash dividend to \$0.20 per share on the Company's common stock, a 25% increase over its most recent quarterly dividend. The Board of Directors has also approved a special dividend of \$2.00 per share to be paid with the regular quarterly dividend. The combined dividends will be payable on December 23, 2010 to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 8, 2010.

The Company will hold a conference call at 4:30 pm (ET) on November 23, 2010 to discuss the news announced in this press release. A live webcast of the conference call will be accessible at www.guess.com via the "Investor Relations" link. The webcast will be archived on the website for 30 days.

Guess?, Inc. designs, markets, distributes and licenses a lifestyle collection of contemporary apparel, denim, handbags, watches, footwear and other related consumer products. As of October 30, 2010, the Company owned and operated 473 retail stores in the United States and Canada and operated 880 retail stores outside of the United States and Canada, of which 172 were directly owned. The Company also distributes its products through better department and specialty stores around the world. For more information about the Company, please visit www.guess.com.

Except for historical information contained herein, certain matters discussed in this press release, including statements concerning the Company's global expansion strategy, future prospects and guidance for the fourth quarter and full year of fiscal 2011, are forward-looking statements that are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements are only expectations, and involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties, which may cause actual results in future periods to differ materially from what is currently anticipated. Factors which may cause actual results in future periods to differ materially from current expectations include, among other things, domestic and international economic conditions, including economic and other events that could negatively impact consumer confidence and discretionary consumer spending and result in increasingly difficult competitive conditions; our ability to, among other things, anticipate consumer preferences, effectively operate our various retail concepts, effectively manage inventories and successfully execute our strategies, including our supply chain and international growth strategies; and risks associated with changes in economic, political, social and other conditions affecting our foreign operations, including currency fluctuations and global tax rates. In addition to these factors, the economic, litigation-related and other risks identified in the Company's most recent annual report on Form 10-K and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including but not limited to the risk factors discussed therein, could cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations.

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# Guess?, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income

(amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended						Nine Months Ended					
		October 30, October 31,				October 30, October 31,						
		2010			2009			2010			2009	
		\$	%		\$	%		\$	%		\$	%
Net revenue												
Net revenue  Product sales	\$	580,922	94.6%	\$	494,998	94.7%	\$	1,645,553	95.1%	\$	1,414,489	95.2%
Net royalties	Ψ	32,981	5.4%	Ψ	27,814	5.3%	Ψ	84,826	4.9%	Ψ	71,947	4.8%
		613,903	100.0%		522,812	100.0%		1,730,379	100.0%		1,486,436	100.0%
Cost of product sales		347,506	56.6%		285,921	54.7%		976,495	56.4%		840,265	56.5%
Gross profit		266,397	43.4%		236,891	45.3%		753,884	43.6%		646,171	43.5%
Selling, general and administrative expenses		173,682	28.3%		137,917	26.4%		487,722	28.3%		408,049	27.5%
Accelerated pension cost amortization		-	0.0%		-	0.0%		5,819	0.3%		-	0.0%
Earnings from operations		92,715	15.1%		98,974	18.9%		260,343	15.0%		238,122	16.0%
Other income (expense):												
Interest expense		(262)	(0.0%)		(778)	(0.1%)		(775)	(0.0%)		(1,723)	(0.1%)
Interest income		602	0.1%		277	0.1%		1,585	0.1%		1,461	0.1%
Other, net		5,854	0.9%		(1,340)	(0.3%)		9,026	0.5%		(1,413)	(0.1%)
Earnings before income taxes		98,909	16.1%		97,133	18.6%		270,179	15.6%		236,447	15.9%
Income taxes		28,818	4.7%		32,054	6.2%		81,055	4.7%		78,028	5.2%
Net earnings		70,091	11.4%		65,079	12.4%		189,124	10.9%		158,419	10.7%
Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests in subsidiaries		1,002	0.1%		1,009	0.1%		2,942	0.1%		2,247	0.2%
Net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$	69,089	11.3%	\$	64,070	12.3%	\$	186,182	10.8%	\$	156,172	10.5%
Earnings per common share attributable to common stockholders:												
Basic	\$	0.75		\$	0.69		\$	2.01		\$	1.70	
Diluted	\$	0.75		\$	0.69		\$	2.00		\$	1.68	
Weighted average common shares outstanding attributable to common stockholders:												
Basic		90,911			90,941			91,474			90,765	
Diluted		91,543			91,778			92,174			91,416	

# Guess?, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Segment Data (dollars in thousands)

		Three	Three Months Ended				Nine Months Ended					
	0	ctober 30,	0	ctober 31,	%	(	October 30, 2010		October 31,	%		
		2010		2009	chg				2009	chg		
Net revenue:												
North American retail	\$	253,721	\$	239,518	6%	\$	731,296	\$	674,538	8%		
North American wholesale		56,270		46,124	22%		143,268		112,910	27%		
Europe		216,161		168,829	28%		625,460		524,686	19%		
Asia		54,770		40,527	35%		145,529		102,355	42%		
Licensing		32,981		27,814	19%		84,826		71,947	18%		
	\$	613,903	\$	522,812	17%	\$	1,730,379	\$ 1,486,436		16%		
Earnings (loss) from operations:  North American retail  North American wholesale	\$	19,326 16,697	\$	33,110 12,245	-42% 36%	\$	70,008 37,619	\$	81,325 25,499	-14% 48%		
Europe		42,565		40,801	4%		127,396		116,233	10%		
Asia		8,291		5,472	52%		21,129		9,532	122%		
Licensing		30,941		24,176	28%		76,491		61,863	24%		
Corporate overhead		(25,105)		(16,830)	49%		(66,481)	(56,330)		18%		
Accelerated pension cost amortization		-		-			(5,819)		-			
	\$	92,715	\$	98,974	-6%	\$	260,343	\$	238,122	9%		
Operating margins:												
North American retail		7.6%		13.8%			9.6%		12.1%			
North American wholesale		29.7%		26.5%			26.3%		22.6%			
Europe		19.7%		24.2%			20.4%		22.2%			
Asia		15.1%		13.5%			14.5%		9.3%			
Licensing		93.8%		86.9%			90.2%		86.0%			
Total Company		15.1%		18.9%			15.0%		16.0%			

# Guess?, Inc. and Subsidiaries Selected Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet Data (in thousands)

		October 30, 2010		January 30, 2010		October 31, 2009	
	ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents		\$	469,020	\$	502,063	\$	344,862
Receivables, net			372,217		283,747		312,226
Inventories			346,014		253,162		269,422

Other current assets		85,473	85,191	81,976
Property and equipment, net		299,954	255,308	254,259
Other assets		193,017	151,778	147,869
Total Assets	\$	1,765,695	\$ 1,531,249	\$ 1,410,614
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOL	DERS' I	EQUITY		
Current portion of borrowings and capital lease obligations	\$	2,264	\$ 2,357	\$ 2,577
Other current liabilities		421,389	340,396	301,996
Capital lease obligations		12,949	14,137	15,457
Other long-term liabilities		149,392	134,203	119,420
Redeemable and nonredeemable noncontrolling interests		24,463	19,945	19,209
Guess?, Inc. stockholders' equity		1,155,238	1,020,211	951,955
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$	1,765,695	\$ 1,531,249	\$ 1,410,614

# Guess?, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Cash Flow Data (in thousands)

	Nine Months Ended						
	0	ctober 30, 2010	00	ctober 31, 2009			
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	134,308	\$	168,313			
Net cash used in investing activities		(85,523)		(66,058)			
Net cash used in financing activities		(82,901)		(57,762)			
Effect of exchange rates on cash		1,073		6,251			
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(33,043)		50,744			
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		502,063		294,118			
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	\$	469,020	\$	344,862			

## Supplemental information:

Depreciation and amortization	\$ 48,199	\$ 47,093
Rent	\$ 157,515	\$ 130,298

### Guess?, Inc. and Subsidiaries Retail Store Data International Store Count

	As of October 30, 2010					
	Total	Directly Operated				
Region	Stores	Stores				
United States and Canada	473	473				
Europe and the Middle East	472	131				
Asia	351	27				
Other	57	14				
	1,353	645				

Guess?, Inc. and Subsidiaries Retail Store Data U.S. and Canada

	Nine Months Ended				
	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009			
Number of stores at the beginning of the year	432	425			
Store openings	48	13			
Store closures	(7)	(5)			
Number of stores at the end of the period	473	433			
Total store square footage at the end of the period	2,139,000	1,992,000			

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