Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Form 8-K November 26, 2008

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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 25, 2008

Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction

001-32319 (Commission File Number) 20-1296886 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

Identification No.)

903 Calle Amanecer, Suite 100

San Clemente, California

92673

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(Address of Principal Executive Office)

(Zip Code)

(949) 369-4000

(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 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 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

On November 25, 2008, Sunstone Hotel Partnership, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. (the Company), in its capacity as Borrower, and certain indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company in their respective capacities as Subsidiary Guarantors, entered into a Third Letter Amendment (the Third Amendment) to the Revolving Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement), dated as of July 17, 2006 (as amended by the First Letter Amendment (the First Amendment), dated as of August 14, 2006, and the Second Letter Amendment (the Second Amendment), dated as of May 23, 2007, the Amended Credit Agreement) with the initial Lenders, the Initial Issuing Bank, the Swing Line Bank, Citicorp North America, Inc., as Administrative Agent, Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC, as syndication agent, Calyon New York Branch, as co-syndication agent, Keybank National Association, as documentation agent, and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC, as joint lead arrangers and joint book running managers. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined have the meanings given to them in the Amended Credit Agreement.

The Third Amendment amends the Amended Credit Agreement to clarify that in calculating Adjusted EBITDA for purposes of the definition of Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio , the following will be included: the Company s pro-rata share of the sum of its joint ventures income, interest expense, income tax expense, depreciation expense, amortization expense, gains or losses from sales of assets and, to the extent subtracted in computing net income of such joint venture, impairment charges and income attributable to minority interests.

A copy of the Credit Agreement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on July 18, 2006, a copy of the First Amendment is attached as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on November 1, 2006, and a copy of the Second Amendment is attached as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 8, 2007. The Third Amendment will be filed as an exhibit to the Company s Form 10-K for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2008.

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.

Date: November 25, 2008

Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc.

By: /s/ Christopher M. Lal Christopher M. Lal

Senior Vice President and General Counsel