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ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST INC Form 8-K March 11, 2011

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): March 11, 2011 ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MARYLAND (State of Incorporation)

001-31775 (Commission File Number)

86-1062192 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 1100 Dallas, Texas

75254

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (972) 490-9600

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On March 11, 2011, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. (the Company) held a conference call to discuss the formation of a new joint venture with Prudential Real Estate Investors (PREI) to take ownership of a 28-property hotel portfolio (the Highland Hospitality Portfolio) through a debt restructuring and consensual foreclosure. A copy of the conference call transcript is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. On March 10, 2011, the Company filed a Form 8-K that reported the formation of the joint venture.

The information in this Form 8-K and Exhibits attached hereto shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Highland Hospitality Portfolio Conference Call Transcript of the Company, dated March 11, 2011.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized. Dated: March 11, 2011

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ David A. Brooks
David A. Brooks
Chief Operating Officer and General
Counsel