EASTGROUP PROPERTIES INC Form 8-K May 11, 2012

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 11, 2012

EASTGROUP PROPERTIES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

13-2711135 (IRS Employer

File Number)

1-07094

(Commission

Identification No.)

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190 East Capitol Street, Suite 400, Jackson, MS 39201

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including zip code)

(601) 354-3555

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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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

EastGroup Properties, Inc. (the Company) is filing as Exhibit 99.1 (which is incorporated by reference herein) a description of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to the taxation of the Company as a real estate investment trust for federal income tax purposes and the ownership and disposition of Company stock. This description contained in Exhibit 99.1 replaces and supersedes prior descriptions of the federal income tax treatment of the Company and its stockholders to the extent that they are inconsistent with the description contained in this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Material United States Federal Income Tax Considerations

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.

Date: May 11, 2012

EASTGROUP PROPERTIES, INC.

By: /s/ N. Keith McKey N. Keith McKey Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer

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