ROSS STORES INC Form 8-K April 14, 2005

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): April 14, 2005

ROSS STORES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-14678 (Commission File No.) 94-1390387

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

4440 Rosewood Drive, Pleasanton, California, 94588-3050

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (925) 965-4400

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 16, 2005, the Company issued a press release regarding the Company s sales and earnings results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended January 29, 2005, and its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended January 31, 2004. Those results reflected expected adjustments in the Company s lease accounting in response to recent SEC communications. Subsequent to the March 16, 2005 press release, the Company revised the adjustments related to lease accounting. These revised adjustments are reflected in the Company s Form 10-K filed on April 14, 2005. Please refer to Note B and Note J to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in that Form 10-K, for further information concerning the restatement.

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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: April 14, 2005

Ross Stores, Inc.
Registrant

By: /s/J. Call

John G. Call Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Principal Accounting Officer and Corporate Secretary