

**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): October 20, 2009

TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina
(State or other jurisdiction of Incorporation)

11986
(Commission File Number)

1-56-1815473
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

3200 Northline Avenue, Greensboro, North Carolina 27408
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(336) 292-3010
(Registrants' 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:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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))
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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On October 20, 2009, Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing the purchase of a 52 acre land parcel in Mebane, North Carolina where it plans to construct a 317,000 Tanger Outlet Center which will contain approximately 80 brand name and designer outlet stores. The expected completion date of the project is late 2010. A copy of the Company’s press release is hereby furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report on Form 8-K. The information contained in this report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed “filed” with the Securities and Exchange Commission nor incorporated by reference in any registration statement filed by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specified otherwise.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

The following exhibits are included with this Report:

Exhibit 99.1 Press release announcing the beginning of construction of a Tanger Outlet Center in Mebane, North Carolina.

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.

Dated: October 20, 2009

TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC.

By: /s/ Frank C. Marchisello, Jr.
Frank C. Marchisello, Jr.
Executive Vice-President, Chief Financial Officer & Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.

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TANGER FACTORY OUTLET CENTERS, INC.

NEWS RELEASE

For Release: **Immediate Release**
Contact: **Mike Buescher**
(336) 834-6826

TANGER BEGINS CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW OUTLET SHOPPING CENTER IN MEBANE, NORTH CAROLINA

New Tanger Outlet Center will feature 80 popular brand name stores

Greensboro, NC, October 20, 2009... Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc., headquartered in Greensboro, North Carolina, recently closed on the purchase of a 52 acre parcel in Mebane, North Carolina. The site will be the future location of the Tanger Outlet Center of the Piedmont. Located on busy Interstate 40/85, Exit 154, on Arrowhead Boulevard in Alamance County, the new Tanger Outlet Center will serve shoppers traveling between North Carolina's Triangle – Raleigh/Durham/Chapel Hill and Triad – Greensboro/High Point/Winston-Salem, as well as from a growing regional population.

With preliminary work now underway, an official ground breaking ceremony will take place in December. The project is slated for completion in late 2010. The new Tanger Outlet Center will be Tanger's third outlet shopping center in the state. The company operates the Tanger Outlets in Blowing Rock along the Blue Ridge Parkway, and also the Tanger Outlet Center in Nags Head on North Carolina's scenic Outer Banks.

The 317,000 square foot Tanger Outlet Center in Mebane will welcome shoppers with a collection of approximately 80 brand name and designer outlet stores. These stores include Saks Fifth Avenue OFF 5th, Banana Republic Factory Store, Coach Factory, Gap Outlet, J. Crew, Michael Kors, BCBG/Girls, Nike Factory Store, Tommy Hilfiger and so many more of today's leading brand and designer names.

"We are very excited to begin creating one of the South's premiere outlet shopping attractions," stated Steven B. Tanger, President and Chief Executive Officer for Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. "This project represents a \$60,000,000 investment by Tanger in this growing Piedmont community and the great state of North Carolina," he added.

Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc., (NYSE:SKT) a publicly traded REIT, presently has ownership interests in and management responsibilities for 33 outlet shopping centers in 22 states coast-to-coast, totaling approximately 10.2 million square feet, leased to over 2,200 stores that are operated by over 400 different store brands. For more information on Tanger Outlet Centers, call 1-800-4-TANGER or visit our website at www.tangeroutlet.com.