

Commonwealth REIT
Form 8-K
December 09, 2011

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): **December 6, 2011**

COMMONWEALTH REIT

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

1-9317
(Commission File Number)

04-6558834
(IRS Employer Identification
No.)

Two Newton Place, 255 Washington
Street, Suite 300, Newton, Massachusetts
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

02458-1634
(Zip Code)

617-332-3990

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On December 6, 2011, Commonwealth REIT, or the Company, issued a press release announcing that it will redeem all of its outstanding 6.95% Senior Notes due 2012 at a redemption price equal to the principal amount of \$150,680,000, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of redemption. This redemption is expected to occur on January 3, 2012. A Copy of the Company's press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The Company hereby furnishes the following exhibit:

99.1 Press Release dated December 6, 2011.

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.

COMMONWEALTH REIT

By:	/s/ John C. Popeo
Name:	John C. Popeo
Title:	Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: December 9, 2011