BEAM INC Form 8-K May 17, 2013

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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 17, 2013

Beam Inc.

 $(Exact\ Name\ of\ Registrant\ as\ Specified\ in\ Charter)$

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction

1-9076 (Commission

13-3295276 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

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510 Lake Cook Road

Deerfield, IL (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

60015 (Zip Code)

(847) 948-8888

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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:

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On May 17, 2013, Beam Inc. (the Company) announced the commencement of tender offers for certain of the Company $\,$ s outstanding debt securities. The press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release of Beam Inc. dated May 17, 2013.

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SIGNATURE

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.

BEAM INC. (Registrant)

Date: May 17, 2013

By: /s/ Kenton R. Rose
Name: Kenton R. Rose

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel &

Chief Administrative Officer and Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

Number Description

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