

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES INC /DE/  
Form 8-K  
August 02, 2010

**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): August 2, 2010  
CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, INC.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)  
DELAWARE  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)**

**1-10323**  
(Commission File Number)

**74-2099724**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**1600 Smith Street, Dept. HQSEO, Houston, Texas**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**77002**  
(Zip Code)

**(713) 324-2950**  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)  
(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):

- 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 8.01. Other Events.

On August 2, 2010, Continental Airlines, Inc. ( Continental ) issued a press release announcing its proposed offering of senior secured notes. The press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

On July 22, 2010, Continental stated in an investor update that it anticipated ending the third quarter of 2010 with an unrestricted cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments balance of approximately \$3.5 billion. This anticipated balance does not include the net proceeds of the proposed offering of senior secured notes.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release for Proposed Offering of Senior Secured Notes

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Continental Airlines, Inc. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, INC.

August 2, 2010

By /s/ Gerald Laderman  
Gerald Laderman  
Senior Vice President and Treasurer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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