ABERCROMBIE & FITCH CO /DE/ Form 8-K August 26, 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): August 23, 2005

ABERCROMBIE & FITCH CO.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-12107 31-1469076

(State or other jurisdiction of Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

incorporation)

6301 Fitch Path, New Albany, Ohio 43054

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) (614) 283-6500

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)
Not Applicable

(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:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On August 23, 2005, Abercrombie & Fitch Co. (the Corporation) and Michael S. Jeffries executed an Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, effective as of August 15, 2005 (the Employment Agreement), in fulfillment of certain terms of the settlement agreement approved by the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware on June 14, 2005 in the action titled In Re Abercrombie & Fitch Co. Shareholder Derivative Litigation (the Settlement Agreement). Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Mr. Jeffries prior employment agreement was amended and restated to reflect the following changes: (i) Mr. Jeffries stay bonus was reduced from twelve million dollars to six million dollars and receipt of the stay bonus was conditioned upon the Corporation achieving defined performance criteria (except in certain terminations), (ii) Mr. Jeffries will not receive any award of stock options during calendar years 2005 and 2006 and in subsequent years will receive stock options only in the discretion of the Compensation Committee, (iii) Mr. Jeffries will hold the Career Shares referred to in Section 4(b) of the Employment Agreement for a period of one year after he ceases to be an executive officer of the Corporation (the Holding Period), and (iv) Mr. Jeffries will hold one half of the shares of the Corporation received from the first one million stock options exercised following the settlement between the parties, net of shares equal to the amount of withholding taxes and exercise price, until the expiration of the Holding Period.

The foregoing description of the amendments to Mr. Jeffries prior employment agreement reflected in the Employment Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the actual terms of the Employment Agreement, which is filed with this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) and (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Exhibits:

The following exhibits are filed with this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit No. Description

10.1 Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between Abercrombie & Fitch Co. and Michael S. Jeffries
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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.

ABERCROMBIE & FITCH CO.

Dated: August 26, 2005 By: /s/ Michael W. Kramer

Michael W. Kramer

Senior Vice-President and Chief

Financial Officer

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