LABRANCHE & CO INC Form 8-K June 16, 2011

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): June 16, 2011

LaBRANCHE & CO INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 001-15251 (Commission 13-4064735 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

33 Whitehall Street, New York, New York 10004

(Address of principal executive offices)

(212) 425-1144

(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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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

Item 8.01 Other Events

On June 16, 2011, LaBranche & Co Inc. issued a joint press release with Cowen Group, Inc. announcing the results of their respective special meetings of stockholders relating to their pending merger. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference in its entirety.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Joint Press Release of the Company and Cowen, dated June 16, 2011

SIGNATURE

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

LaBranche & Co Inc.

Date: June 16, 2011 By: /s/ Jeffrey A. McCutcheon

Name: Jeffrey A. McCutcheon

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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