

EQUUS TOTAL RETURN, INC.

Form 8-K

May 17, 2012

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): May 15, 2012

EQUUS TOTAL RETURN, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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| Delaware | 814-00098 | 76-0345915 |
| (State or Other Jurisdiction Of Incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

Eight Greenway Plaza, Suite 930 Houston, Texas

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) **77046**
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 529-0900

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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 May 15, 2012, Equus Total Return, Inc. issued a press release announcing its net asset value for the quarter ended March 31, 2012. The text of the press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release issued on May 15, 2012 by Equus Total Return, Inc.

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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.

Equus Total Return, Inc.

Date: May 17, 2012 By: /s/ Kenneth I. Denos

Name: Kenneth I.

Denos

Title: Secretary