## 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): April 11, 2013

# J.Crew Group, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Commission File Number: 333-175075** 

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 22-2894486 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

770 Broadway New York, NY 10003

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(212) 209-2500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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

## Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(c) On April 11, 2013, J. Crew Group, Inc. (the "Company") appointed James Scully to the position of Chief Operating Officer and appointed Libby Wadle to the position of President – J. Crew Brand.

Mr. Scully, 48, has been the Company's Chief Administrative Officer since 2008 and was also Chief Financial Officer from 2005 to 2012. Prior to joining J.Crew, Mr. Scully served as Executive Vice President of Human Resources and Strategic Planning of Saks Incorporated from 2004. Before that Mr. Scully served as Saks Incorporated's Senior Vice President of Strategic and Financial Planning from 1999 to 2004 and as Senior Vice President, Treasurer from 1997 to 1999. Prior to joining Saks Incorporated, Mr. Scully held the position of Senior Vice President of Corporate Finance at Bank of America (formerly NationsBank) from 1994 to 1997.

Ms. Wadle, 40, has been the Company's Executive Vice President—J.Crew since September 2011, and before that, served as Executive Vice President—Retail and Factory since July 2010, and as Executive Vice President—Factory and Madewell since 2007. Before that Ms. Wadle served as Vice President and then Senior Vice President of J.Crew Factory since 2004. Prior to joining J.Crew, Ms. Wadle was Division Vice President of Women's Merchandising at Coach, Inc. from 2003 to 2004 and held various merchandising positions at The Gap, Inc. from 1995 to 2003.

In connection with these promotions, Mr. Scully and Ms. Wadle each received a base salary increase from \$700,000 to \$750,000. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the "Committee") of the Company approved an increase in target bonus payable under the Company's annual cash incentive plan for Mr. Scully and Ms. Wadle from 75% to 100%, with a range of potential payments from zero to 250% of annual base salary.

(e) On April 11, 2013, the Committee made certain other executive compensation decisions relating to the Named Executive Officers.

The Committee determined that Millard Drexler's base salary was to remain at \$200,000 given his role as owner-manager and that Jenna Lyons' base salary would remain at \$1,000,000. The Committee approved an increase in target bonus payable under the Company's annual cash incentive plan for Ms. Lyons from 75% to 100%, with a range of potential payments from zero to 250% of annual base salary. The Committee approved base salary increases for Lynda Markoe from \$425,000 to \$475,000 and for Stuart Haselden from \$400,000 to \$415,000.

(f) The Committee also determined the amount of the annual cash incentive awards payable in respect of fiscal year 2012 to Messrs. Drexler, Haselden and Scully and Mss. Lyons, Wadle and Markoe of \$2,400,000; \$268,000; \$1,050,000; \$1,500,000; \$1,050,000; and \$425,000, respectively.

In addition to the annual incentive plan payment, the Committee approved a special bonus agreement with Jenna Lyons (the "Agreement") pursuant to which the Company will pay to Ms. Lyons a cash bonus of \$1,500,000, payable upon execution of the Agreement, in recognition of

Ms. Lyons' prior and continued service as President and Executive Creative Director of the Company. Pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, in the event Ms. Lyons' employment with the Company is terminated for any reason other than by the Company without "cause" or by Ms. Lyons for "good reason" (as each such term is defined in the employment agreement between the Company and Ms. Lyons, dated July 15, 2010), Ms. Lyons is required to reimburse immediately the Company for the full amount of the special bonus if such termination occurs prior to the third anniversary of the Agreement. The preceding description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated by reference.

The total compensation paid to each of the Named Executive Officers in respect of fiscal 2012 is as follows: Mr. Drexler - \$2,649,333; Mr. Haselden - \$780,883; Ms. Lyons - \$4,804,081; Mr. Scully - \$2,257,743; Ms. Wadle - \$2,160,887; Ms. Markoe - \$1,061,885.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) through (c) Not applicable.

(d) Exhibits.

 Exhibit
 Description

 10.1
 Special Bonus Agreement, dated April 15, 2013, between the Company and Jenna Lyons

### 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.

Date: April 16, 2013

J.CREW GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Jennifer Meeker

Jennifer Meeker Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary

#### By Hand Ms. Jenna Lyons

Dear Jenna:

In recognition of your prior and continued service as President & Creative Director for J. Crew Group, Inc. and its operating subsidiaries (collectively, the "<u>Company</u>"), we would like to award you with a special discretionary bonus pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in this letter agreement (the "<u>Agreement</u>"). All capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meaning given to such terms in the employment agreement between you and the Company, dated July 15, 2010 (the "<u>Employment Agreement</u>").

*1. Special Bonus.* Subject to your active employment with the Company on the Payment Date (as defined below), the Company agrees to pay you a discretionary cash bonus of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000), less any applicable withholdings (the "<u>Special Bonus</u>"), which will be paid to you on April 17, 2013 (the "<u>Payment Date</u>"); provided, that if your employment with the Company is terminated prior to the third anniversary of the Payment Date for any reason, other than by the Company without Cause or by you for Good Reason, you shall immediately reimburse the Company for the full one million five hundred thousand dollar (\$1,500,000) amount of the Special Bonus. In the event that you fail to reimburse fully the Company for the applicable amount described in the preceding sentence, in addition to any other legal or equitable remedies available to the Company, the Company shall be entitled to offset, in accordance with (and to the extent permitted by) Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, the amounts owed by you to the Company pursuant to this Agreement against any amounts otherwise payable by the Company to you.

#### 2. Miscellaneous.

(a) This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between you and the Company with respect to the Special Bonus, and supersedes and is in full substitution for any and all prior understandings or agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the Special Bonus.

(b) All terms, conditions and restrictions of Sections 7(c), 7(d), 7(e), 7(g), (7h), 7(j) and 7(k) of the Employment Agreement are incorporated herein and made part hereof as if stated herein.

(Signatures on following page)

If the terms of this Agreement meet with your approval, please sign and return one copy to me.

Sincerely,

/s/ Millard S. Drexler

Millard S. Drexler Chief Executive Officer

AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED:

/s/ Jenna Lyons Jenna Lyons

Date: <u>4-15</u>, 2013

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