### 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 29, 2012

## STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **001-10435** (Commission File Number) 06-0633559 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

**ONE LACEY PLACE, SOUTHPORT, CONNECTICUT** 06890 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (203) 259-7843

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 May 29, 2012, Sturm, Ruger & Company, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that it has resumed the normal acceptance of orders from its independent wholesale distributors. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- Exhibit No. Description
- 99.1 Press release of Sturm, Ruger & Company, Inc. dated May 29, 2012 announcing that it has resumed the normal acceptance of orders from its independent wholesale distributors.

#### 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.

STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC.

By: <u>/S/ THOMAS A. DINEEN</u>

Name: Thomas A. Dineen Title: Principal Financial Officer, Principal Accounting Officer Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: May 29, 2012

EXHIBIT 99.1



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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC. RESUMES NORMAL ACCEPTANCE OF ORDERS

SOUTHPORT, CONNECTICUT, May 29, 2012-- Sturm, Ruger & Company, Inc. (NYSE: RGR), announced today that it has resumed the normal acceptance of orders from its independent wholesale distributors.

On March 21, 2012, the Company announced that its independent wholesale distributors had placed orders with the Company for more than one million Ruger firearms in the first quarter of 2012, and therefore the Company had temporarily suspended the acceptance of new orders.

Demand for our products is very strong, and the current backlog remains significantly above year ago levels. Our production and shipments in the first quarter of 2012 increased more than 50% from the first quarter of 2011 and remain very strong.

#### About Sturm, Ruger

Sturm, Ruger was founded in 1949 and is one of the nation's leading manufacturers of high-quality firearms for the commercial sporting market. Sturm, Ruger is headquartered in Southport, CT, with manufacturing facilities located in Newport, NH and Prescott, AZ.

The Company may, from time to time, make forward-looking statements and projections concerning future expectations. Such statements are based on current expectations and are subject to certain qualifying risks and uncertainties, such as market demand, sales levels of firearms, anticipated castings sales and earnings, the need for external financing for operations or capital expenditures, the results of pending litigation against the Company, the impact of future firearms control and environmental legislation, and accounting estimates, any one or more of which could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made. The Company undertakes no obligation to publish revised forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date such forward-looking statements are made or to reflect the occurrence of subsequent unanticipated events.