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January 08, 2008

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): January 4, 2008

COMPASS DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-51937

(Commission File Number)

57-6218917

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

COMPASS GROUP DIVERSIFIED

HOLDINGS LLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-51938

(Commission File Number)

20-3812051

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Sixty One Wilton Road

Second Floor

Westport, CT 06880

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(203) 221-1703**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 8 Other Events

Item 8.01 Other Events

Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC (the *Company*) and Compass Diversified Holdings (*Holdings* and, together with the *Company*, collectively *CODI*, *us* or *we*) acquires and manages small to middle market businesses in the ordinary course of its business. The following description relates to the recent acquisition of one such business.

Fox Factory, Inc.

On January 4, 2008, Fox Factory Holding Corp. (the *Buyer*), a subsidiary of the *Company*, entered into a Share Purchase Agreement (the *Purchase Agreement*) with Fox Factory, Inc. (*Fox*) and Robert C. Fox, Jr. (*Seller*), the sole shareholder of *Fox*, to purchase, and consummated the purchase of, all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of *Fox*.

Under the terms of the transaction, *CODI*'s acquisition of *Fox* is based on a total enterprise value of \$85.0 million, representing approximately 7.5 times *Fox*'s estimated Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization for 2007, before taking into account the positive cash flow impact of the tax asset step-up pursuant to which *CODI* acquired *Fox*. Transaction expenses were approximately \$1.7 million. The cash consideration and transaction expenses were funded by *CODI* through available cash. *Fox* management invested in the transaction alongside *CODI* resulting in an initial minority ownership of approximately 24%.

Founded in 1974 and headquartered in Watsonville, California, *Fox* is a designer, manufacturer and marketer of high end suspension products for mountain bikes, all terrain vehicles, snowmobiles and other off-road vehicles. *Fox* both acts as a tier one supplier to leading action sport original equipment manufacturers and provides aftermarket products to retailers and distributors. *Fox*'s products are recognized as the industry's performance leaders by retailers and end-users alike. *Fox* had revenue of approximately \$87.8 million for its fiscal year ended December 31, 2006.

Concurrent with the closing of the *Buyer*'s acquisition of *Fox*, the *Company* provided a credit facility to the *Buyer*, as co-borrower and *Fox*, as borrower, which funded, in part, the *Buyer*'s purchase of the *Fox* stock from *Seller* and made available to *Fox* a secured revolving loan commitment and secured term loans. The initial amount outstanding under these facilities at the close of this transaction was approximately \$56.3 million. The loans to *Fox* are secured by security interests in all of the assets of *Fox* and the pledge of the equity interests in *Fox*. In addition to being similar to the terms and conditions of the credit facilities in place with our existing businesses, the *Company* believes that the terms of the loans are fair and reasonable given the leverage and risk profile of *Fox*.

Compass Group Management LLC, our manager, acted as an advisor to the *Company* in the transaction for which it received fees and expense payments totaling approximately \$0.8 million.

The foregoing brief description of the *Purchase Agreement* is not meant to be exhaustive and is qualified in its entirety by the *Purchase Agreement* itself, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Share Purchase Agreement dated January 4, 2008, among Fox Factory Holding Corp., Fox Factory, Inc. and Robert C. Fox, Jr.

99.2 Press Release of the Company dated January 7, 2008 announcing the purchase of Fox Factory, Inc.

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.

Date: January 8, 2008

COMPASS DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS

By: /s/ James J. Bottiglieri
James J. Bottiglieri
Regular Trustee

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COMPASS GROUP DIVERSIFIED
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