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BROWN FORMAN CORP Form 8-K January 16, 2013

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 16, 2013

Brown-Forman Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 002-26821 61-0143150

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

850 Dixie Highway, Louisville, Kentucky 40210

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (502) 585-1100

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Not Applicable (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))

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On January 16, 2013, Brown-Forman Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that it is establishing its own distribution company in France, effective January 1, 2014. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exibit 99.1. The information furnished pursuant to this Item 8.01 (and the related information in Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

The following Exhibit is furnished as part of this Report on Form 8-K.

99.1 Brown-Forman Corporation Press Release dated January 16, 2013

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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.

Brown-Forman Corporation (Registrant)

January 16, 2013 (Date)

/s/ Nelea A. Absher

Nelea A. Absher

Senior Vice President, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Corporate Secretary

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Number Description

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