GREENBRIER COMPANIES INC Form 8-K October 14, 2014

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) October 13, 2014

THE GREENBRIER COMPANIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File No. 1-13146

Oregon (State of Incorporation)

93-0816972 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Centerpointe Drive, Suite 200, Lake Oswego, OR 97035

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(503) 684-7000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Former name or former address, if changed since last report: N/A

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):

- " 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))

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

During September 2014, the Company received complaints through its whistleblower hotline concerning alleged misconduct involving a senior employee at the Company s Concarril manufacturing facility in Sahagun, Mexico. The Company has retained outside counsel to conduct an independent investigation of the matter, and has placed the employee on a paid leave of absence pending completion of the investigation. The investigation is at an early stage, but the Company currently believes that the alleged misconduct does not involve the Company s other operations, or its executive officers.

The Company is committed to completing a thorough, expeditious investigation of the matter. No conclusions can be drawn as to its outcome at this time.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 13, 2014

THE GREENBRIER COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Mark J. Rittenbaum Mark J. Rittenbaum

Executive Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)