EQUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES INC Form 8-K September 22, 2011

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: September 21, 2011
(Date of earliest event reported)
EOUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 1-11718 36-3857664

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(Commission File No.)

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

Two North Riverside Plaza, Chicago, Illinois

60606

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(312) 279-1400

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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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- o 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 September 21, 2011, Equity LifeStyle Properties, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that Thomas Heneghan, ELS President and Chief Executive Officer, will participate in the A Residential Debate: Rent vs. Own discussion panel at the BMO North American Real Estate Conference on Thursday, September 22, 2011 at 1:45p.m. Central time.

The live panel discussion will be webcast at

http://www.bmocm.com/conferences/NARealEstate2011/webcast/default.aspx. This will be a listen only broadcast. An archive of the webcast will be available for a period of six months after the conference.

This report includes certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. When used, words such as anticipate, expect, believe, project, intend, may be and similar words or phrases, or the negative thereof, unless the context requires otherwise, are intended to identify forward-looking statements and may include, without limitation, information regarding the Company s expectations, goals or intentions regarding the future, statements regarding the anticipated closings of its pending Acquisition and the expected effect of the Acquisition on the Company. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to:

the Company s ability to control costs, real estate market conditions, the actual rate of decline in customers, the actual use of sites by customers and its success in acquiring new customers at its Properties (including those that it may acquire);

the Company s ability to maintain historical rental rates and occupancy with respect to Properties currently owned or that the Company may acquire;

the Company s assumptions about rental and home sales markets;

the Company s assumptions and guidance concerning 2011 estimated net income and funds from operations;

in the age-qualified Properties, home sales results could be impacted by the ability of potential homebuyers to sell their existing residences as well as by financial, credit and capital markets volatility;

results from home sales and occupancy will continue to be impacted by local economic conditions, lack of affordable manufactured home financing and competition from alternative housing options including site-built single-family housing;

impact of government intervention to stabilize site-built single family housing and not manufactured housing;

the completion of the Acquisition in its entirety and future acquisitions, if any, and timing and effective integration with respect thereto and the Company s estimates regarding the future performance of the Acquisition Properties;

the Company s inability to secure the contemplated debt financings to fund a portion of the stated purchase price of the Acquisition on favorable terms or at all and the timing with respect thereto;

unanticipated costs or unforeseen liabilities associated with the Acquisition;

ability to obtain financing or refinance existing debt on favorable terms or at all;

the effect of interest rates;

the dilutive effects of issuing additional securities;

the effect of accounting for the entry of contracts with customers representing a right-to-use the Properties under the Codification Topic *Revenue Recognition*; and

other risks indicated from time to time in the Company s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

These forward-looking statements are based on management s present expectations and beliefs about future events. As with any projection or forecast, these statements are inherently susceptible to uncertainty and changes in circumstances. The Company is under no obligation to, and expressly disclaims any obligation to, update or alter its forward-looking statements whether as a result of such changes, new information, subsequent events or otherwise.

Equity LifeStyle Properties, Inc. is a fully integrated owner and operator of lifestyle-oriented properties and as of September 21, 2011, owns or has an interest in 365 quality properties in 32 states and British Columbia consisting of 134,005 sites. The Company leases individual developed areas, or sites, with access to utilities for placement of factory-built homes, cottages, cabins or recreational vehicles. Customers may lease individual sites or enter right-to-use contracts providing the customer access to specific properties for limited stays. The Company is a self-administered, self-managed, real estate investment trust (REIT) with headquarters in Chicago.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

# EQUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES, INC.

By: /s/ Michael B. Berman Michael B. Berman Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 22, 2011