FEDERAL REALTY INVESTMENT TRUST Form 8-K May 09, 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): May 6, 2013

Federal Realty Investment Trust

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction

1-07533 (Commission 52-0782497 (IRS Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

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1626 East Jefferson Street

Rockville, Maryland 20852-4041

(301) 998-8100

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant s principal executive offices)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 8.01. Other Events

On May 6, 2013, Federal Realty Investment Trust (the Registrant) entered into an underwriting agreement with Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as representatives of the several underwriters named in Schedule I to the related pricing agreement, whereby the Registrant agreed to issue and sell \$275,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 2.75% Notes due 2023 (the Notes) in an underwritten public offering. The Notes will be governed by the Indenture, dated as of September 1, 1998, between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association (successor trustee to Wachovia Bank, National Association (successor trustee to First Union National Bank)). The offering is expected to close on May 9, 2013.

The Notes will be senior unsecured obligations of the Registrant and will rank equally with all of the Registrant s other senior unsecured indebtedness. The Notes will bear interest at 2.75% per annum, and interest will be payable on June 1 and December 1 of each year, beginning on December 1, 2013. The Notes will mature on June 1, 2023.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Description |
|----------------|--|
| 1.1 | Underwriting Agreement, dated May 6, 2013, by and among the Registrant and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as representatives of the underwriters named in Schedule I to the related pricing agreement |
| 1.2 | Pricing Agreement, dated May 6, 2013, by and among the Registrant and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as representatives of the underwriters named therein |
| 4.1 | Form of 2.75% Note due 2023 |
| 5.1 | Opinion of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP relating to legality of the securities being issued by the Registrant |
| 8.1 | Opinion of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP relating to material tax matters relating to the Registrant |
| 12.1 | Statement Regarding Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges |
| 23.1 | Consents of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP (contained in the opinions filed as Exhibits 5.1 and 8.1 hereto) |

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SIGNATURE

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

FEDERAL REALTY INVESTMENT TRUST

Date: May 9, 2013 By: /s/ Dawn M. Becker

Dawn M. Becker

Executive Vice President-General Counsel and Secretary