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Form 8-K
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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: August 12, 2005

RECKSON ASSOCIATES REALTY CORP.
and
RECKSON OPERATING PARTNERSHIP, L.P.
(Exact name of each Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Reckson Associates Realty Corp. - Maryland
Reckson Operating Partnership, L.P. - Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or
organization)

Reckson Associates Realty Corp. -
11-3233650
Reckson Operating Partnership, L.P. -
11-3233647

225 Broadhollow Road
Melville, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

(IRS Employer ID Number)
11747
(Zip Code)

1-13762
(Commission File Number)

(631) 694-6900
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

Australian Offering and Formation of Joint Venture. Reckson Associates Realty Corp. ("Reckson") has announced the execution of an Underwriting Agreement relating to the offering in Australia of approximately A\$263 million (approximately US\$202 million) of units in a newly-formed Reckson-sponsored Australian listed property trust, Reckson New York Property Trust ("Reckson NYPT"), to be traded on the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX). The Australian offer document was lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) on Monday, August 15, 2005. The transaction is expected to close and Reckson NYPT (ASX: RNY) is scheduled to begin trading on the ASX on September 26, 2005. Reckson NYPT will be managed by Reckson Australia Management Limited (RAML), an Australian licensed Responsible Entity which is wholly owned by Reckson Operating Partnership, L.P. Reckson NYPT will contribute the net proceeds of the offering in exchange for a 75% indirect interest in a newly-formed joint venture in the United States.

Reckson also entered into a Contribution Agreement and a Sale Agreement pursuant to which, among other things, it will transfer 25 of its properties at a purchase price of approximately US\$563 million and containing an aggregate of 3.4 million square feet to the joint venture in exchange for a 25% interest and approximately US\$502 million in cash (inclusive of proceeds from mortgage debt). Reckson will arrange for approximately US\$320 million of debt, including approximately US\$248 million of fixed rate debt and approximately US\$72 million of floating rate debt, that will encumber the properties transferred to the joint venture.

Reckson will also grant the joint venture options to acquire ten additional properties containing an aggregate of approximately 1.2 million square feet over a two year period at a price based upon the fair market value at the time of transfer to the joint venture. Affiliates of Reckson will provide asset management, property management, leasing, construction and other services to the joint venture and affiliates of Reckson will be entitled to transaction fees and ongoing fees relating to the joint venture. Additional information concerning this transaction is contained in Reckson's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 26, 2005.

The offering is being made outside of the United States. Nothing herein shall be construed as an offering of the units in Reckson NYPT. The Underwriting Agreement, Contribution Agreement and Sale Agreement are subject to conditions typical for transactions of this nature and, as a result, there can be no assurance that the transactions will be completed.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

- 10.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated as of August 12, 2005, by and among Reckson New York Property Trust, UBS AG, Australia Branch and Citigroup Global Markets Australia Pty Limited
- 10.2 Contribution Agreement, dated as of August 12, 2005, by and among Reckson Operating Partnership, L.P. and certain of its subsidiaries, Reckson Australia Operating Company LLC and Reckson Australia LPT Corporation

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- 10.3 Sale Agreement, dated as of August 12, 2005, by and among Reckson Operating Partnership, L.P. and certain of its subsidiaries, Reckson Australia Operating Company LLC and Reckson Australia LPT Corporation

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SIGNATURES

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

RECKSON ASSOCIATES REALTY CORP.

By: /s/ Jason M. Barnett

Jason M. Barnett
Executive Vice President
and General Counsel

RECKSON OPERATING PARTNERSHIP, L.P.

By: Reckson Associates Realty Corp.,
its General Partner

By: /s/ Jason M. Barnett

Jason M. Barnett
Executive Vice President
and General Counsel

Date: August 18, 2005

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