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 (Date of earliest event reported): September 13, 2012

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-33796 (Commission File Number)

26-0630461 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1211 Avenue of the Americas Suite 2902 New York, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (646) 454-3759

No Change (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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:

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□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

10036 (Zip Code)

Item 3.01 Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

As previously disclosed by Chimera Investment Corporation (the "Company"), as a result of the Company's pending restatement of certain of its previously filed consolidated financial statements, the Company has been unable to file its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 (the "2011 Form 10-K"). Therefore, the Company is subject to the New York Stock Exchange's (the "NYSE" or the "Exchange") late filing procedures as they pertain to annual reports, as set forth in Section 802.01E of the NYSE Listed Company Manual. On September 13, 2012, the Company was notified by the NYSE that the NYSE had granted the Company an extension for continued listing and trading on the Exchange, notwithstanding that the Company has not yet filed the 2011 Form 10-K. The extension granted by the NYSE provides the Company until January 15, 2013 to file the 2011 Form 10-K with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, subject to reassessment on an ongoing basis.

In granting the extension, the NYSE noted that it would closely monitor the Company's progress in connection with the milestones and timing for filing the 2011 Form 10-K and that failure to make progress could result in suspension of the Company's listing privileges prior to January 15, 2013. The NYSE stated in its notice that, in the event that the Company does not file the 2011 Form 10-K in accordance with the terms of the NYSE's extension, the NYSE will move forward with the initiation of suspension and delisting procedures.

Although the Company is working diligently to complete the 2011 Form 10-K, no assurance can be given that the 2011 Form 10-K will be filed by January 15, 2013.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release, dated September 14, 2012, issued by Chimera Investment Corporation.

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.

Chimera Investment Corporation

By: /s/ A. Alexandra Denahan

Name:A. Alexandra DenahanTitle:Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 14, 2012

Chimera Investment Corporation Obtains New York Stock Exchange Listing Extension

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--September 14, 2012--Chimera Investment Corporation (NYSE: CIM) announced today that it has received a four-month extension for continued listing and trading of the Company's stock on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE).

The extension granted by the NYSE, which is subject to review by the NYSE on an ongoing basis, provides the Company until January 15, 2013 to file its 2011 Annual Report on Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission. During the extension period, trading of the Company's shares on the NYSE will remain unaffected.

The Company previously announced that it would delay the filing of its Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 ("2011 10-K"), and its Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31 and June 30, 2012, due to the evaluation of its non-Agency residential mortgage-backed securities portfolio to determine the appropriate treatment under GAAP according to ASC 320-10, *Investments – Debt and Equity Securities*, ASC 325-40, *Investments – Other – Beneficial Interests in Securitized Financial Assets* and ASC 310-30, *Receivables – Loans and Debt Securities Acquired with Deteriorated Credit Quality.*

Separately, the Company announced that the Company's consolidated financial statements included in its previously filed Annual Reports on Form 10-K for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, and its Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q beginning with the quarter ended September 30, 2008, and for all subsequent quarters through the quarter ended September 30, 2011, need to be restated and can no longer be relied upon.

The restatement is not expected to affect the Company's previously reported GAAP or economic book values, actual cash flows, dividends and taxable income for any previous period. The Company is currently unable to estimate the timing for filing its 2011 10-K, and expects to file its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ending March 31, 2012 within 60 days of filing the 2011 10-K and any subsequent unfiled Quarterly Reports will be filed as soon as practicable. The Company continues to work diligently to complete the ongoing work on the restatement and expects to be in regular contact with the NYSE concerning its progress.

Chimera Investment Corporation invests in residential mortgage loans, residential mortgage-backed securities, real estate-related securities and various other asset classes. The Company's principal business objective is to generate income from the spread between yields on its investments and its cost of borrowing and hedging activities. The Company is a Maryland corporation that has elected to be taxed as a real estate investment trust ("REIT").

Disclosures About Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are based on the current beliefs and expectations of the Company's management and are subject to significant risks and uncertainties. Because these forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, there are important factors that could cause the Company's actual results, as well as the Company's expectations regarding materiality or significance, the restatement's quantitative effects, the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures, material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting, the filing of the Company's unimely SEC reports and continued trading of the Company's restated consolidated financial statements and that the Company's internal control over financial reporting may be inadequate or have weaknesses of which the Company is not currently aware or which have not been detected. The Company does not undertake to update the forward-looking statements to reflect the impact of circumstances or events that may arise after the date of the forward-looking statements. For a discussion of a variety of risk factors affecting the Company's business and prospects, see "Item 1A — Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 (the "2010 10-K."), as supplemented by the reports the Company has filed since the 2010 10-K.

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