HRPT PROPERTIES TRUST Form 8-K September 12, 2007

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): September 12, 2007 (September 11, 2007)

HRPT PROPERTIES TRUST

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-9317

(Commission File Number)

04-6558834

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

400 Centre Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

617-332-3990

(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:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- 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 11, 2007 HRPT Properties Trust, or the Company, agreed to sell \$250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 6.65% Senior Notes due 2018, or the Notes, in a public offering. The Notes are expected to be issued on September 18, 2007, and will be issued under a supplemental indenture, to the Company s indenture dated July 9, 1997. The Notes will be senior unsecured obligations of the Company and will have substantially the same covenants as the Company s other outstanding senior unsecured notes issued under that indenture, except that the Company s Total Unencumbered Assets/Unsecured Debt covenant applicable to the Notes requires it to maintain Total Unencumbered Assets (as defined in the supplemental indenture) of at least 150% of Unsecured Debt (as so defined). The Company intends to use the estimated \$245.8 million net proceeds of this offering to reduce amounts outstanding under its revolving credit facility. A prospectus supplement relating to the Notes will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. This current report on Form 8-K shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

WARNING CONCERNING FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

THIS REPORT CONTAINS FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995 AND OTHER FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS, INCLUDING WITH RESPECT TO THE COMPANY S ISSUANCE OF THE NOTES AND ITS INTENDED USE OF THE PROCEEDS. FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS ARE NOT GUARANTEED TO OCCUR. YOU SHOULD NOT PLACE UNDUE RELIANCE UPON FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS. EXCEPT AS REQUIRED BY LAW, THE COMPANY UNDERTAKES NO OBLIGATION TO RELEASE PUBLICLY ANY REVISION TO THESE FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS THAT MAY BE MADE TO REFLECT EVENTS OR CIRCUMSTANCES OCCURRING AFTER THE DATE HEREOF.

Item 9.01. Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

The Company hereby files the following exhibits:

- 1.1 Underwriting Agreement dated as of September 11, 2007 between HRPT Properties Trust and the underwriters therein, pertaining to \$250,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of 6.65% Senior Notes due 2018.
- 4.1 Form of Supplemental Indenture between HRPT Properties Trust and U.S. National Bank Association, including the form of 6.65% Senior Note due 2018.
- 5.1 Opinion of Sullivan & Worcester LLP.
- 5.2 Opinion of Venable LLP.
- 8.1 Opinion of Sullivan & Worcester LLP re: tax matters.
- 23.1 Consent of Sullivan & Worcester LLP (contained in Exhibit 5.1).
- 23.2 Consent of Venable LLP (contained in Exhibit 5.2).

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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.

HRPT PROPERTIES TRUST

By: /s/ John C. Popeo

John C. Popeo

Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

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Date: September 12, 2007