KAPSTONE PAPER & PACKAGING CORP Form 8-K January 11, 2012

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

January 10, 2012

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

KapStone Paper and Packaging Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **000-51150** (Commission File Number) **20-2699372** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1101 Skokie Boulevard, Suite 300 Northbrook, Illinois (Address of principal executive offices)

60062 (Zip Code)

(847) 239-8800

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(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

The Internal Revenue Service has notified KapStone Paper and Packaging Corporation (KapStone) that the Joint Committee on Taxation approved KapStone s 2007-2009 examination reports as filed. As a result of the finalization of the Internal Revenue Service s examination, KapStone will reverse in the fourth quarter \$63.6 million of gross unrecognized tax benefits and related accrued interest expense related to KapStone s position on alternative fuel mixture tax credits. Upon reversal of this liability, KapStone s net income and diluted earnings per share for the fourth quarter of 2011 will reflect an increase of \$63.6 million and \$1.34, respectively. On January 10, 2012, KapStone issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 announcing the recording of the \$63.6 million tax benefit.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

99.1 Press release of KapStone Paper and Packaging Corporation dated January 10, 2012.

SIGNATURE

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.

Date: January 10, 2012

KAPSTONE PAPER AND PACKAGING CORPORATION

By: /s/ Andrea K. Tarbox Name: Andrea K. Tarbox Title: Chief Financial Officer

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