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):

December 19, 2011

SOLAR CAPITAL LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

(Commission File Number)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 814-00754

26-1381340 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

500 Park Avenue New York, NY 10022

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 993-1670

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K 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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))	

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant

On December 19, 2011, Solar Capital Ltd. (the "Company") announced a \$50 million increase in its senior secured revolving credit facility (the "Facility") to \$405 million, resulting from the addition of a new lender under the Facility. The Facility was amended and restated in February 2010 in connection with the Company's initial public offering and expires in February of 2013. The original Facility commitment of \$250 million was increased to \$270 million in February 2010, then to \$320 million in May 2010 and, subsequently, to \$355 million in June 2010.

A copy of the press release announcing the increase in the Facility is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release, dated December 19, 2011

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.

Date: December 19, 2011 SOLAR CAPITAL LTD.

By: /s/ Nicholas Radesca

Nicholas Radesca Chief Financial Officer

Solar Capital Ltd. Adds New Lender: Increases Credit Facility to \$405 Million

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--December 19, 2011--Solar Capital Ltd. (NASDAQ: SLRC) today announced that a new lender has committed \$50 million to its senior secured revolving credit facility, bringing total commitments under the agreement to \$405 million. The facility matures in February of 2013 and can be expanded to \$600 million.

"The addition of this new commitment further diversifies our lending sources and brings our total debt capacity to \$540 million. With our sizeable amount of available capital, we believe we are well positioned to take advantage of the current market environment to fuel portfolio growth," said Michael Gross, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Solar Capital Ltd.

ABOUT SOLAR CAPITAL LTD.

Solar Capital Ltd. is a closed-end investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940. The Company invests primarily in leveraged, middle market companies in the form of senior secured loans, mezzanine loans, and equity securities.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements included herein may constitute "forward-looking statements," which relate to future events or our future performance or financial condition. These statements are not guarantees of future performance, condition or results and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements as a result of a number of factors, including those described from time to time in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Solar Capital Ltd. undertakes no duty to update any forward-looking statements made herein.

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