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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**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 2, 2013**

**NOODLES & COMPANY**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**001-35987**  
(Commission File Number)

**84-1303469**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**520 Zang Street, Suite D, Broomfield, CO**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**80021**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (720) 214-1900**

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 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))
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## Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

The information under this Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section.

### Public Offering

On December 2, 2013, Noodles & Company (the "Company") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a preliminary prospectus relating to a primary and secondary offering of its Class A common stock (the "Offering").

On December 2, 2013, the Company issued the press release with respect to the commencement of the Offering. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference into this Item 7.01.

### Forward-Looking Guidance

The Company's fiscal quarter will end on December 31, 2013 and accordingly, its results for the full fiscal quarter are not yet available. The Company tracks comparable restaurant sales growth on a weekly basis and, as a result, is able to provide preliminary range expectations for the full fiscal quarter for that metric based on available information to date. As such, the Company expects to report company-owned comparable restaurant sales growth of between 3.75% and 4.25% for its fourth fiscal quarter in 2013. In 2014, the Company expects system-wide comparable restaurant sales growth of 2.5% to 3.0%. At this time, the Company continues to expect its 2013 and 2014 financial performance to be consistent with the guidance it presented in its Third Quarter 2013 Earnings Call, on November 6, 2013, and in the press release dated November 6, 2013 disclosing its financial results from the third quarter of 2013, unless stated otherwise. The Company's actual results may differ materially from this expectation as a result of the financial results during the remainder of the quarter, which remain subject to external factors such as unusual or unseasonal weather, completion of the Company's financial closing procedures, final adjustments and other developments that may arise between now and the time the financial results for this period are finalized.

This Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements and current expectations of forward-looking guidance that was previously provided that involve risks and uncertainties such as the number of restaurants the Company intends to open, projected capital expenditures, and estimates of its effective tax rates, among others. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terms such as "may," "might," "will," "objective," "intend," "should," "could," "can," "would," "expect," "believe," "design," "estimate," "predict," "potential," "plan" or the negative of these terms, and similar expressions intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements reflect its current views with respect to future events and are based on assumptions and subject to risks and uncertainties. The Company's actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements including, but not limited to, statements about its ability to maintain increases in comparable restaurant sales and to successfully execute its growth strategy, its ability to open new restaurants on schedule, price and availability of commodities, consumer confidence and spending patterns, the assumptions used in the adjustment of interest expense and the adjustments for certain incremental legal, accounting, insurance and other compliance costs, consumer reaction to public health issues and perceptions of food safety, changes in consumer tastes and the level of acceptance of the company's restaurant concepts (including consumer acceptance of prices), seasonal factors and weather. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the Company's actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performances or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. We discuss many of these risks in greater detail under the heading "Risk Factors" in our most recently filed Registration Statement on Form S-1. Also, these forward-looking statements represent the Company's estimates and assumptions only as of the date of this Current Report. Unless required by United States federal securities laws, the Company does not intend to update any of these forward-looking statements to reflect circumstances or events that occur after the statement is made.

## Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) List of Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
Exhibit 99.1	Press Release issued by the Company on December 2, 2013

**SIGNATURE**

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.

NOODLES & COMPANY

By: /s/ DAVE BOENNIGHAUSEN

Name: Dave Boennighausen

Title: Chief Financial Officer

DATED: December 2, 2013

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## Noodles & Company Commences Proposed Offering of Common Stock

**BROOMFIELD, Colo., December 2, 2013** (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) - Noodles & Company (NASDAQ: NDLS) today announced that it has commenced the previously announced public offering of its Class A common stock (the "Offering"). In the Offering, which is subject to market and other conditions, the Company and certain of the Company's stockholders intend to offer 4,500,000 shares of Class A common stock for sale and grant the underwriters the right to purchase up to 675,000 additional shares from the Company and certain of the Company's stockholders, solely to cover over-allotments, if any. All of the shares in the Offering are being offered by selling stockholders, except for up to approximately 123,000 shares being offered by the Company in the Offering (including the over-allotment option) the proceeds of which will be used by the Company to repurchase the same number of shares from certain of its officers (the "Repurchase").

Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC ("Morgan Stanley") and UBS Securities LLC ("UBS") are acting as lead joint book-running managers for the Offering. Jefferies LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Piper Jaffray & Co., Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated and RBC Capital Markets, LLC are acting as book-running managers.

The Company also announced today that Morgan Stanley and UBS, the lead book-running managers in the Company's recent initial public offering of 5,357,143 shares of its Class A common stock, are waiving a lock-up restriction with respect to 225,637 shares of the Company's Class A common stock held by certain officers and directors of the Company. The waiver will take effect on December 5, 2013, and shall only apply to the sale of such shares of Class A common stock in the Offering and the Repurchase.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. The Offering will be made only by means of a prospectus. A preliminary prospectus relating to the Offering has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is available on its web site, <http://www.sec.gov/>.

Copies of the preliminary prospectus also may be obtained from: Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC at 180 Varick Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10014, Attention: Prospectus Department or from UBS Securities LLC at 299 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10171.

This press release 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 or jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state or jurisdiction.

### **About Noodles & Company**

Founded in 1995, Noodles & Company is a fast-casual restaurant chain that serves classic noodle and pasta dishes from around the world with 372 locations system-wide in 29 states and the District of Columbia as of November 15, 2013. Known as Your World Kitchen, Noodles & Company's globally inspired menu consists of more than 25 fresh, customizable noodle bowls, salads, soups and sandwiches that are prepared quickly using quality ingredients. From healthy to indulgent, spicy to comforting, the menu provides favorites for everyone from kids to adults. Popular dishes include the spicy Indonesian Peanut Saute, Med Salad with naturally raised pork and creamy Wisconsin Mac & Cheese.

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