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RENT A CENTER INC DE Form 8-K August 12, 2002

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):

AUGUST 12, 2002

RENT-A-CENTER, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

DELAWARE 0-25370 48-1024367

(State or Other Jurisdiction of (Commission Incorporation)

File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

5700 TENNYSON PARKWAY THIRD FLOOR PLANO, TEXAS 75024 (ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES) (ZIP CODE)

> (972) 801-1100 (REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE)

> > NO CHANGE

(FORMER NAME OR FORMER ADDRESS, IF CHANGED SINCE LAST REPORT)

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On August 12, 2002, Mark E. Speese, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, and Robert D. Davis, Senior Vice President-Finance, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, of

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Rent-A-Center, Inc. each submitted a certification to the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to Rent-A-Center, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2002, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.

(a) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF BUSINESSES ACQUIRED.

Not applicable.

(b) PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

Not applicable.

- (c) EXHIBITS
 - 99.1 Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 by Mark E. Speese.
 - 99.2 Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 by Robert D. Davis.

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.

RENT-A-CENTER, INC.

Date: August 12, 2002 By: /s/ Robert D. Davis

Robert D. Davis

Senior Vice President-Finance, Treasurer and Chief Financial

Officer

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