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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**CURRENT REPORT** 

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Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: February 4, 2015

Date of Earliest Event Reported: February 3, 2015

## MACY'S, INC.

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(State of Incorporation)
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Item 2.02.

Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 3, 2015, Macy's, Inc. ("Macy's") issued a press release announcing Macy's sales growth for the 13 and 52 weeks ended January 31, 2015 and expected diluted earnings per share for the 52 weeks ended January 31, 2015. The full text of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The press release referred to above contains certain non-GAAP financial measures of expected diluted earnings per share, excluding certain items, and comparable sales together with comparable sales of departments licensed to third parties. The excluded items include asset impairment charges, store closing and other costs and expenses associated with the early retirement of debt. Management believes that diluted earnings per share, excluding certain items, is a useful measure in evaluating Macy's ability to generate earnings from operations and that providing such a measure will allow investors to more readily compare the expected earnings referred to in the press release to the earnings and earnings guidance provided by Macy's in past and future periods. Management believes that excluding certain items from this calculation is particularly useful where the amounts of such items are not consistent in the periods presented. Macy's licenses third parties to operate certain departments in its stores and online and receives commissions from these third parties based on a percentage of their net sales. In its financial statements prepared in conformity with GAAP, Macy's includes these commissions (rather than sales of the departments licensed to third parties) in its net sales. Macy's does not, however, include any amounts in respect of licensed department sales (or any commissions earned on such sales) in its comparable sales calculation. Management believes that providing comparable sales growth together with comparable sales of departments licensed to third parties is a useful measure to assist investors in evaluating Macy's ability to generate sales growth, whether through owned businesses or departments licensed to third parties, on a comparable basis. Management believes that providing comparable sales growth together with comparable sales of departments licensed to third parties is particularly useful in evaluating the impact of changes in the manner in which certain departments are operated (e.g. the conversion in 2013 of most of Macy's previously owned athletic footwear business to licensed Finish Line shops). However, the reader is cautioned that any non-GAAP financial measures provided by Macy's are provided in addition to, and not as alternatives for, Macy's reported results prepared in accordance with GAAP. Certain items that may have a significant impact on Macy's financial position, results of operations and cash flows must be considered when assessing Macy's actual financial condition and performance regardless of whether these items are included in these non-GAAP financial measures. In addition, you should note that the amounts received by Macy's on account of sales of departments licensed to third parties are limited to commissions received on such sales. The methods used by Macy's to calculate its non-GAAP financial measures may differ significantly from methods used by other companies to compute similar measures. As a result, any non-GAAP financial measures provided by Macy's may not be comparable to similar measures provided by other companies.

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Financial Statements and Exhibits.

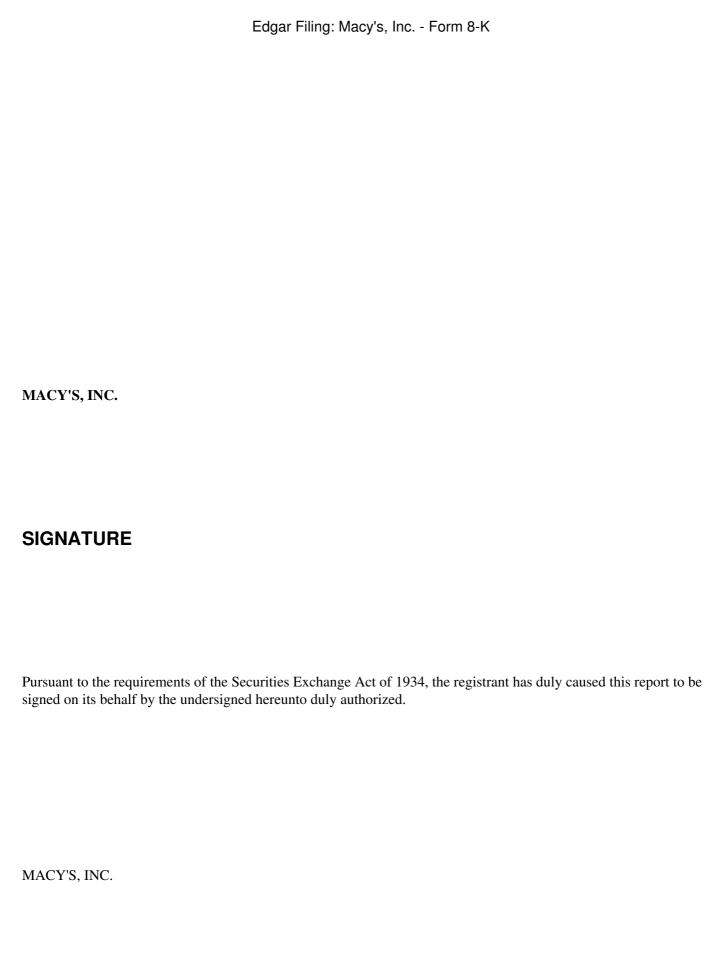
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**Exhibits** 

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Dated: February 4, 2015

By: /s/ Joel A. Belsky

Name: Joel A. Belsky

Title: Executive Vice President and Controller

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