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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549 Form 6-K Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 For the month of: August 2010 Commission File Number: 1-14830 GILDAN ACTIVEWEAR INC. (Translation of Registrant s name into English) 600 de Maisonneuve Boulevard West 33rd Floor

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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99.1 News Release Dated August 12, 2010