

Vulcan Materials CO
Form 8-K
December 22, 2016

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 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 21, 2016

VULCAN MATERIALS COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey **001-33841** **20-8579133**
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)
of incorporation)

1200 Urban Center Drive
Birmingham, Alabama 35242
(Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)

(205) 298-3000
Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

Not Applicable

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(Former name or former address if changed since last report)

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On December 21, 2016, Vulcan Materials Company (“Vulcan”, “we”, “our”, or “us”) entered into a new credit agreement (the “Credit Agreement”) that provides a five-year \$750 million unsecured revolving credit facility and a five-year \$250 million unsecured delayed draw term loan facility (the “Credit Facilities”). The Credit Facilities are guaranteed by our significant subsidiaries. Proceeds of the Credit Facilities will be used for general corporate purposes.

The Credit Agreement contains affirmative, negative, and financial covenants and events of default customary for investment-grade credit facilities. The primary negative covenant limits our ability to incur secured debt. The financial covenants are: (1) a maximum debt to EBITDA ratio of 3.50:1.00 (with a permitted step-up to 3.75:1.00 for three (3) fiscal quarters ending after the consummation of certain material acquisitions), and (2) a minimum EBITDA to interest expense ratio of 3.00:1.00.

Loans under the Credit Facilities bear interest at a rate equal to the Eurodollar Rate (LIBOR, adjusted for any reserves for Eurocurrency liabilities), or the Base Rate (which is defined as the highest of the SunTrust prime rate, the Federal funds rate plus 0.50% and the one-month Eurodollar Rate plus 1.00%) plus a credit spread based on our credit ratings (which is different for Eurodollar Rate loans and Base Rate loans).

SunTrust Bank serves as administrative agent and the lenders (the “Lenders”) under the Credit Agreement are:

SunTrust Bank

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association

U.S. Bank National Association

Bank of America, N.A.

Regions Bank

Goldman Sachs Bank USA

The Northern Trust Company

First Tennessee Bank National Association

Synovus Bank

Atlantic Capital Bank

Certain of the Lenders and their affiliates have provided from time to time, and may continue to provide, investment banking, commercial banking, financial and other services to us for which we have paid, and intend to pay, customary fees. Additionally, our pension fund invests in funds managed by certain of the Lenders or affiliates of the Lenders.

The foregoing description of the Credit Facilities is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Credit Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The Credit Agreement has been included to provide shareholders with information regarding its terms. The inclusion of such document is not intended to provide any other factual information about Vulcan or our subsidiaries or affiliates. The representations, warranties and covenants contained in the Credit Agreement were made solely for purposes of such document and as of specific dates, were solely for the benefit of the parties to the Credit Agreement, may be subject to limitations agreed upon by the contracting parties, including being qualified by confidentiality disclosures made for the purposes of allocating contractual risk between the parties to the Credit Agreement instead of establishing these matters as facts, and may be subject to standards of materiality applicable to the contracting parties that differ from those applicable to shareholders. Shareholders are not third-party beneficiaries under the Credit Agreement and should not rely on the representations, warranties and covenants or any descriptions thereof as characterizations of the actual state of facts or condition of Vulcan or any of our subsidiaries or affiliates. Moreover, information concerning the subject matter of the representations and warranties may change after the date of the Credit Agreement, which subsequent information may or may not be fully reflected in Vulcan's public disclosures.

Item 1.02 Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

On December 21, 2016, Vulcan terminated the credit agreement dated June 19, 2015 among Vulcan, SunTrust Bank, as administrative agent, and the several banks from time to time parties thereto as lenders (the "2015 Credit Agreement"). The 2015 Credit Agreement provided a five-year \$750 million unsecured revolving credit facility that was guaranteed by Vulcan's significant subsidiaries. Certain of the lenders under the 2015 Credit Agreement and their affiliates have provided from time to time, and may continue to provide, investment banking, commercial banking, financial and other services to us for which we have paid, and intend to pay, customary fees. Additionally, our pension fund invests in funds managed by certain of the lenders or affiliates of the lenders. No early termination penalty was incurred by Vulcan in connection with the termination. The 2015 Credit Agreement was terminated in anticipation of Vulcan entering into the Credit Agreement as described in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

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

The information contained in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Description

Exhibit
No.

10.1 Credit Agreement dated December 21, 2016 among Vulcan Materials Company, and SunTrust Bank, as Administrative Agent, and the Lenders and other parties named therein.

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.

VULCAN MATERIALS COMPANY

By: /s/ Jerry F. Perkins Jr.

Name: Jerry F. Perkins Jr.

Title: General Counsel & Secretary

Date: December 22, 2016