

Celanese Corp
Form 8-K
December 11, 2017

UNITED STATES
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): December 11, 2017

CELANESE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 001-32410 98-0420726

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
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222 West Las Colinas Blvd. Suite 900N, Irving, TX 75039

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (972) 443-4000

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined by Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

Completion of Offering of 1.250% Senior Notes due 2025 by Celanese US Holdings LLC

On December 11, 2017, Celanese US Holdings LLC (“Celanese US”), a wholly owned subsidiary of Celanese Corporation (the “Company”), completed its registered offering of €300,000,000 of 1.250% Senior Notes due 2025 (the “Notes”). The Notes have been issued under an Indenture, dated as of May 6, 2011 (the “Base Indenture”), among the Company, Celanese US, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”), as amended by a Seventh Supplemental Indenture, dated December 11, 2017 (the “Seventh Supplemental Indenture” and, together with the Base Indenture, the “Indenture”), among the Company, Celanese US, certain subsidiaries of Celanese US (the “Subsidiary Guarantors”), the Trustee, and Deutsche Bank Trust Companies Americas, as paying agent, registrar and transfer agent.

Net proceeds from the sale of the Notes will be used to make a voluntary contribution to the Company's U.S. pension plan and, any amounts not so used, will be used for general corporate purposes.

The Notes bear interest at a rate of 1.250% per year, payable annually in arrears. Celanese US's obligations under the Notes are guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by the Company and, initially, the Subsidiary Guarantors.

Upon the occurrence of a change of control with a ratings decline, the holders of the Notes will have the right to require Celanese US to make an offer to repurchase each holder's Notes at a price equal to 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest.

The Indenture contains covenants limiting, among other things, the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors' ability to create liens, enter into sales-leaseback transactions, merge or consolidate, sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of the Company's assets. The Indenture also contains customary events of default.

The foregoing description does not constitute a complete summary of the terms of the Notes, the Base Indenture and the Seventh Supplemental Indenture and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the copy of the Base Indenture previously filed as Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's current report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 6, 2011 and the copies of the form of Note and the Seventh Supplemental Indenture filed as Exhibits 4.1 and 4.2, respectively, to this Current Report, which are each incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)Exhibits

Exhibit

NumberDescription

4.1 Form of 1.250% Senior Note due 2025 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the Registration Statement on Form 8-A (File No. 001-32410) filed with the SEC on December 7, 2017).

4.2 Seventh Supplemental Indenture, dated as of December 11, 2017, among Celanese US Holdings LLC, Celanese Corporation, the subsidiary guarantors party thereto, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee, and Deutsche Bank Trust Companies Americas, as paying agent, registrar and transfer agent.

5.1 Opinion of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, dated December 11, 2017.

23.1 Consent of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).

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.

CELANESE
CORPORATION

By:	/s/ James R. Peacock III
Name:	James R. Peacock III
Title:	Vice President, Deputy General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Date: December 11, 2017