

Regency Energy Partners LP
Form 8-K
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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): September 11, 2013

REGENCY ENERGY PARTNERS LP

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

001-35262
(Commission

File Number)
2001 Bryan Street, Suite 3700

16-1731691
(IRS Employer

Identification Number)

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Dallas, Texas 75201

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(214) 750-1771

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

5.750% Senior Notes due 2020

On September 11, 2013, Regency Energy Partners LP (the Partnership) and Regency Energy Finance Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Partnership (Regency Finance and, together with the Partnership, the Issuers) completed their public offering (the Offering) of \$400,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 5.750% Senior Notes due 2020 (the Notes). The Issuers received net proceeds of approximately \$394.2 million from the Offering, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and offering expenses, and intend to use the net proceeds to repay borrowings outstanding under the Partnership s revolving credit facility (the credit facility).

The terms of the Notes are governed by an Indenture dated September 11, 2013 (the Base Indenture), as supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture dated September 11, 2013 (the First Supplemental Indenture and, together with the Base Indenture, the Indenture), among the Issuers, the guarantors party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee (the Trustee). Interest on the Notes is payable semi-annually on March 1 and September 1 of each year, commencing March 1, 2014, and the Notes will mature on September 1, 2020.

The Notes are senior obligations of the Issuers and are guaranteed on a senior basis by all of the Partnership s existing consolidated subsidiaries (except Regency Finance, Edwards Lime Gathering, LLC, ELG Oil LLC and ELG Utility LLC). The Notes and guarantees are unsecured and rank equally with all of the Issuers and each guarantor s existing and future unsubordinated obligations, including the Issuers existing senior notes and the guarantees thereof. The Notes are senior in right of payment to any of the Issuers and each guarantor s future obligations that are, by their terms, expressly subordinated in right of payment to the Notes and guarantees. The Notes and guarantees are effectively subordinated to the Issuers and each guarantor s secured obligations, including indebtedness under the credit facility, to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such obligations, and structurally subordinated to all indebtedness and obligations of the Partnership s subsidiaries that do not guarantee the Notes.

The Issuers have the option to redeem all or a portion of the Notes at any time on or after June 1, 2020 at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of Notes redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest. The Issuers may also redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at a make-whole redemption price specified in the Indenture, plus accrued and unpaid interest, at any time prior to June 1, 2020.

Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control (as defined in the Indenture) event, which occurrence (other than one involving the adoption of a plan relating to liquidation or dissolution) is followed by a ratings decline within 90 days after the consummation of the transaction, the Issuers may be required to offer to purchase the Notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the repurchase date. Additionally, if the Partnership sells certain assets and does not apply the proceeds from the sale in a certain manner, the Issuers must use certain excess proceeds to offer to repurchase the Notes at 100% of the principal amount of the Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the repurchase date.

The Indenture contains customary events of default (each an Event of Default). Under the Indenture, Events of Default include the following:

- (1) default for 30 days in the payment when due of interest on the Notes;
- (2) default in the payment when due (at maturity, upon redemption or otherwise) of the principal of, or premium, if any, on the Notes;
- (3) failure by the Partnership or any guarantor to comply with their obligations to make or consummate a change of control offer or asset sale offer or to comply with any of their agreements or covenants relating to a merger, consolidation or sale of assets;

(4) failure by the Partnership for 90 days after notice to comply with its obligations to furnish the holders of the Notes and the Trustee certain reports;

(5) failure by the Partnership or any guarantor to comply with their other covenants or agreements in the Indenture for 60 days after written notice;

(6) default under any mortgage, indenture or instrument under which there may be issued or by which there may be secured or evidenced any indebtedness for money borrowed by the Partnership or any of its restricted subsidiaries (or the payment of which is guaranteed by the Partnership or any of its restricted subsidiaries) whether the indebtedness or guarantee now exists, or is created after the issue date of the Notes, if that default (A) is caused by a failure to pay principal of, or interest or premium, if any, on the indebtedness prior to the expiration of the grace period provided in the indebtedness on the date of the default (a Payment Default) or (B) results in the acceleration of the indebtedness prior to its express maturity, and, in each case, the principal amount of any of the indebtedness, together with the principal amount of any other indebtedness under which there has been a Payment Default or the maturity of which has been so accelerated, aggregates \$20.0 million or more, subject to certain exceptions;

(7) failure by the Issuers or the Partnership's restricted subsidiaries to pay final judgments aggregating in excess of \$20.0 million, which judgments are not paid, discharged or stayed for a period of 60 days;

(8) any guarantee is held in any judicial proceeding to be unenforceable or invalid or ceases for any reason to be in full force and effect, or any guarantor denies or disaffirms its obligations under its guarantee; and

(9) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of the Issuers or any of the Partnership's significant subsidiaries or any group of the Partnership's restricted subsidiaries that, taken together, would constitute a significant subsidiary.

If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may declare all the Notes to be due and payable. Upon such a declaration, such principal and accrued and unpaid interest on all of the Notes will be due and payable immediately. If an Event of Default relating to certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization with respect to the Issuers or any of the Partnership's significant subsidiaries or any group of the Partnership's restricted subsidiaries that, taken together, would constitute a significant subsidiary, occurs and is continuing, all outstanding Notes will become due and payable immediately without further action or notice on the part of the Trustee or any holders of the Notes. Under certain circumstances, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Notes may rescind any such acceleration with respect to the Notes and its consequences.

The foregoing description of the Notes and the Indenture do not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Base Indenture and the First Supplemental Indenture, copies of which are filed herewith as Exhibit 4.1 and Exhibit 4.2, respectively.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

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4.1*

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- 4.2* First Supplemental Indenture dated September 11, 2013 among Regency Energy Partners LP, Regency Energy Finance Corp., the guarantors party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee (including the form of the Notes).
- 5.1* Opinion of Latham & Watkins LLP.
- 5.2* Opinion of Beirne, Maynard & Parsons, L.L.P.
- 23.1* Consent of Latham & Watkins LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1 hereto).
- 23.2* Consent of Beirne, Maynard & Parsons, L.L.P. (included in Exhibit 5.2 hereto).

* Filed herewith

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.

Regency Energy Partners LP

By: Regency GP LP, its general partner

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Date: September 11, 2013

By: /s/ Thomas E. Long
Thomas E. Long
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial
Officer

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