Amtrust Financial Services, Inc. Form 8-K May 25, 2018

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) May 25, 2018

AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-3314304-3106389(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)(Commission
File Number)(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

59 Maiden Lane, 43rd Floor, New York, New York (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 220-7120

(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):

"Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

x Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

"Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

"Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.133-4 (c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter)

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 8.01 Other Events.

On May 25, 2018, AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the recommendation by Glass Lewis & Co. that AmTrust stockholders vote FOR the Company's previously announced merger agreement at the Special Meeting of Stockholders on June 4, 2018. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 <u>Press release</u>, dated May 25, 2018, issued by AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.

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.

AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. (Registrant)

Date May 25, 2018

/s/ Stephen Ungar Stephen Ungar SVP, General Counsel and Secretary