

TD AMERITRADE HOLDING CORP
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): December 9, 2016 (December 8, 2016)

TD Ameritrade Holding Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

1-35509
(Commission

File Number)

82-0543156
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

200 South 108th Avenue

Omaha, Nebraska

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

68154

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (402) 331-7856

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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

Item 8.01. Other Events.

As previously announced, on October 24, 2016, TD Ameritrade Holding Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the Company), entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the Merger Agreement) by and among the Company, Scottrade Financial Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation (Scottrade), Rodger O. Riney, as Voting Trustee of the Rodger O. Riney Family Voting Trust U/A/D 12/31/2012, as the sole stockholder of Scottrade, and Alto Acquisition Corp. (Merger Sub), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, providing for the merger of Merger Sub with and into Scottrade (the Merger), with Scottrade surviving the Merger as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, subject to the terms and conditions set forth therein. The consummation of the Merger is conditioned upon, among other things, receipt of certain requisite regulatory approvals, including pursuant to the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 (the HSR Act). On December 8, 2016, the U.S. Federal Trade Commission notified the Company that early termination of the waiting period under the HSR Act was granted, effective immediately.

The consummation of the Merger remains subject to the receipt of other requisite regulatory approvals and the satisfaction or waiver of the other closing conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement.

Safe Harbor Forward Looking Statements

This document contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws, including the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements giving expectations or predictions of future financial or business performance or conditions. We intend these forward-looking statements to be covered by the safe harbor provisions of the federal securities laws. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by words such as believe, expect, anticipate, intend, target, estimate, continue, positions, prospects or potential, by verbs such as will, would, should, could or may, or by variations of such words or by similar expressions.

In particular, any projections or expectations regarding the proposed business combination transaction between the Company and Scottrade described herein, our future revenues, expenses, earnings, capital expenditures, effective tax rates, client trading activity, accounts or stock price, as well as the assumptions on which such expectations are based, are forward-looking statements. These statements reflect only our current expectations and are not guarantees of future performance or results. These statements involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions that change over time and could cause actual results or performance to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements and historical performance. In addition to the risks, uncertainties and assumptions previously disclosed in the Company's reports and documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) and those identified elsewhere in this document, these risks, uncertainties and assumptions include, but are not limited to: the ability to obtain regulatory approvals and meet other closing conditions to the proposed transaction, including the completion of the merger between Scottrade Bank and TD Bank, National Association, on the expected terms and schedule; delay in closing the transaction; difficulties and delays in integrating the Company and Scottrade businesses or fully realizing cost savings and other benefits; business disruption following the proposed transaction; changes in asset quality and credit risk; the inability to sustain revenue and earnings growth; changes in interest rates and capital markets; inflation; customer borrowing, repayment, investment and deposit practices; customer disintermediation; the introduction, withdrawal, success and timing of business initiatives; competitive conditions; the Company's and Scottrade's businesses experiencing disruptions due to transaction-related uncertainty or other factors making it more difficult to maintain relationships with employees, customers, other business partners or governmental entities; the inability to realize synergies or to implement integration plans and other consequences associated with mergers, acquisitions and divestitures; economic conditions; and the impact, extent and timing of technological changes, capital management activities, and other actions of regulatory bodies and legislative and regulatory actions and reforms, general economic and political conditions and other securities industry risks, fluctuations in interest rates, stock market fluctuations and changes in client trading activity, credit risk with clients and counterparties, increased competition, systems failures, delays and capacity constraints, network security risks, liquidity risks, new laws and regulations affecting our businesses, regulatory and legal matters and uncertainties and other risk factors described in our latest Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed with the SEC on November 18, 2016 and other reports and documents

we file with the SEC.

These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties which change over time and speak only as of the date on which the statements were made. We undertake no obligation to update or revise publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except to the extent required by the federal securities laws.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

TD AMERITRADE HOLDING CORPORATION

Date: December 9, 2016

By: /s/ Ellen L.S. Koplow

Name: Ellen L.S. Koplow

Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel