

SUNOCO LOGISTICS PARTNERS L.P.

Form 8-K

December 04, 2015

**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 4, 2015**

**SUNOCO LOGISTICS PARTNERS L.P.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**

**1-31219**  
**(Commission**

**23-3096839**  
**(IRS employer**

**of incorporation)**

**file number)**

**identification number)**

**3807 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA 19073**

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**(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)**

**(866) 248-4344**

**(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.**

On December 4, 2015, Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P. (the Partnership ) entered into an Equity Distribution Agreement (the Agreement ) with Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, BNP Paribas Securities Corp., Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, DNB Markets, Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co., Jefferies LLC, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Mitsubishi UFJ Securities (USA), Inc., Mizuho Securities USA Inc., Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, RBC Capital Markets, LLC, Scotia Capital (USA) Inc., SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc., SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc., UBS Securities LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC (each a Manager and collectively the Managers ). Pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, the Partnership may sell from time to time through the Managers, the Partnership s common units representing limited partner interests having an aggregate offering price of up to \$1,000,000,000 (the Common Units ). Sales of the Common Units, if any, will be made by means of ordinary brokers transactions through the facilities of the New York Stock Exchange at market prices, in block transactions, or as otherwise agreed by the Partnership and the Managers, by means of any other existing trading market for the Common Units or to or through a market maker other than on an exchange.

Under the terms of the Agreement, the Partnership may also sell Common Units to one or more of the Managers as principal for their own account at a price to be agreed upon at the time of sale. Any sale of Common Units to a Manager as principal would be pursuant to the terms of a separate terms agreement between the Partnership and such Manager.

The Partnership intends to use the net proceeds from any sales pursuant to the Agreement, after deducting Managers commissions and the Partnership s offering expenses, for general partnership purposes, which may include repaying or refinancing all or a portion of the Partnership s outstanding indebtedness and funding working capital, capital expenditures or acquisitions.

The Common Units will be issued pursuant to the Partnership s existing effective shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-206302).

The Agreement contains customary representations, warranties and agreements by the Partnership, indemnification obligations of the Partnership and the Managers, including for liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, other obligations of the parties and termination provisions. The foregoing description of the Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Agreement, a copy of which is filed herewith as Exhibit 1.1 and is incorporated by reference herein. Legal opinions relating to the Common Units are filed herewith as Exhibits 5.1 and 8.1.

The Managers and/or affiliates of each of the Managers have, from time to time, performed, and may in the future perform, various financial advisory and commercial and investment banking services for the Partnership and its affiliates, for which they have received and in the future will receive customary compensation and expense reimbursement. Affiliates of certain of the Managers are lenders under the Partnership s revolving credit facility.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits.**

**Exhibit  
No.**

**Exhibit Description**

1.1

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- 5.1 Opinion of Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. regarding legality of the Common Units.
- 8.1 Opinion of Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. as to tax matters.

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23.1 Consent of Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. (included in Exhibit 5.1).

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**SIGNATURE**

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.

**SUNOCO LOGISTICS PARTNERS L.P.**

By: Sunoco Partners LLC,  
its General Partner

By: /s/ Peter J. Gvazdauskas  
Peter J. Gvazdauskas  
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

December 4, 2015

Newtown Square, PA

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