

COGENT COMMUNICATIONS HOLDINGS, INC.

Form 8-K

August 14, 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): **August 14, 2018**

Cogent Communications Holdings, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

000-51829
(Commission File Number)

46-5706863
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**2450 N St NW, Washington, District of
Columbia**
(Address of principal executive offices)

20037
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **202-295-4200**

Not Applicable

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

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

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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 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

Cogent Communications Group, Inc. (Cogent), a wholly owned subsidiary of Cogent Communications Holdings, Inc. (the Company), intends to commence a tack-on offering of an additional \$70 million aggregate principal amount of its 5.375% Senior Secured Notes due 2022 (the Notes) for issuance in a private placement not registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Act). The Notes are being offered and sold only to persons reasonably believed to be qualified institutional buyers in an unregistered offering pursuant to Rule 144A under the Act.

The Notes will be guaranteed by Cogent's domestic subsidiaries, subject to certain exceptions, and by the Company. The Company's guarantee will be unsecured and the Company will not be subject to the covenants under the indenture governing the Notes. If the offering is consummated, Cogent expects to use the proceeds from the offering for general corporate purposes and/or to repurchase our common stock or for special or recurring dividends to our stockholders. There can be no assurance that the issuance and sale of the Notes will be consummated. Additional details are discussed in the associated press release, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Current Report does not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any of the Notes. The Notes offering is not being made to any person in any jurisdiction in which the offer, solicitation or sale is unlawful. The Notes offered have not been registered under the Act, and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration requirements.

This information set forth herein shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Act or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Caution Concerning Forward-Looking Statements

Except for historical information and discussion contained herein, statements contained in this release constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements include, but are not limited to statements identified by words such as believes, expects, anticipates, estimates, intends, plans, targets, projects and similar expressions. The statements are based upon the current beliefs and expectations of the Company's management and are subject to significant risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ from those set forth in the forward-looking statements. Numerous factors could cause or contribute to such differences, including, among others, future economic instability in the global economy, which could affect spending on Internet services; the impact of changing foreign exchange rates (in particular the Euro to US dollar and Canadian dollar to US dollar exchange rates) on the translation of the Company's non-US dollar denominated revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities; legal and operational difficulties in new markets; the imposition of a requirement that we contribute to the US Universal Service Fund on the basis of the Company's Internet revenue; changes in government policy and/or regulation, including rules regarding data protection, cyber security and net neutrality; increasing competition leading to lower prices for the Company's services; the Company's ability to attract new customers and to increase and maintain the volume of traffic on its network; the ability to maintain the Company's Internet peering arrangements on favorable terms; the Company's reliance on an equipment vendor, Cisco Systems Inc., and the potential for hardware or software problems associated with such equipment; the dependence of the Company's network on the quality and dependability of third-party fiber providers; the Company's ability to retain certain customers that comprise a significant portion of its revenue base; the management of network failures and/or disruptions; outcomes in litigation; risks related to the offering of the Notes, including that such transaction may not be consummated, as well as other risks discussed from time to time in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including, without limitation, the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 and the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company undertakes no duty to update any forward-looking statement or any information contained in this press release or in other public disclosures at any time.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

| Exhibit Number | Description |
|---------------------------|--|
| 99.1 | <u>Press Release of Cogent Communications Holdings, Inc., dated August 14, 2018.</u> |

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.

Cogent Communications Holdings, Inc.

August 14, 2018

By:

/s/David Schaeffer

Name: David Schaeffer

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer