

COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS INC

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): January 24, 2017

Communications Systems, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Minnesota

(State Or Other Jurisdiction Of Incorporation)

001-31588

(Commission File Number)

41-0957999

(I.R.S.
Employer
Identification
No.)

10900 Red Circle Drive

55343

Minnetonka, MN

(Address Of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

(952) 996-1674

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code

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):

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

Item 2.05 Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities.

On January 24, 2017, Communications Systems, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing its intention to close its Alajuela, Costa Rica production facility and consolidate production into its Minnesota facilities. The Costa Rica facility employs approximately 113 employees; its operations include fiber termination and injection molding production for the Suttle operating segment. The closure is intended to increase the efficiency of Suttle’s operations by consolidating them on one facility, improving the lead time and availability of its products.

These actions are in response to revenue declines in the Company’s Suttle business segment, which has experienced two years of operating losses.

Company management made the decision to close the Costa Rican facility in January 2017 and commenced wind-down activities at the Costa Rica facility the week of January 23, 2017.

The Company expects all production will be transferred within the next six months. Suttle will continue to serve customers without interruption.

The Company estimates the cost to close the Costa Rica facility will be approximately \$1.6 million, and that all expense will be incurred by the end of the 2017 third quarter.

Item 9.01 Financial Statement and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

No. Description

99.1 Communications Systems, Inc. press release dated January 24, 2017.

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.

COMMUNICATIONS
SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ Mark Fandrich
Chief Financial
Officer

Date: January 30, 2017