

TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY FOX, 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): October 5, 2018

Twenty-First Century Fox, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

001-32352
(Commission

File Number)

26-0075658
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

1211 Avenue of the Americas,

New York, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

10036
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 212-852-7000

Not Applicable

(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:

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

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 240.13e-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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On October 5, 2018, The Walt Disney Company (Disney) commenced (i) private offers to exchange (the Exchange Offers) any and all (to the extent held by eligible holders) of 37 series of senior notes (the 21CFA Notes) issued by a subsidiary of Twenty-First Century Fox, Inc. (21CF or the Company) and guaranteed by the Company in exchange for new series of senior notes to be issued in a private offering exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), by a subsidiary of Disney (New Disney) that will, upon consummation of the merger (the Merger) of the Company with a subsidiary of New Disney, become the direct parent of Disney and the Company and be renamed The Walt Disney Company and (ii) the related solicitation of consents (the Consent Solicitations) to amend the indentures governing the 21CFA Notes to eliminate substantially all of the restrictive covenants contained therein, to release 21CF 's guarantee and to modify the reporting covenant contained therein so that following the Merger the Company is only required to comply with the reporting requirements, if any, set forth pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended. If consents sufficient to effectuate the proposed amendments are received in the Consent Solicitation, supplemental indentures implementing the proposed amendments will be executed promptly upon receipt of such consents, but the proposed amendments will not become effective until the closing of the Exchange Offers and the Consent Solicitations, which are conditioned among other things on the consummation of the Merger.

In connection with the Exchange Offers and Consent Solicitations, the Company is disclosing certain unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company, which illustrate the estimated effects of (i) the separation and distribution of New Fox, the company expected to be spun off to the Company 's existing stockholders in connection with the Merger, and the related net cash dividend from New Fox to the Company and (ii) the sale of the Company 's 39% interest in Sky plc to Comcast Corporation, which unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements are attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and described in more detail therein. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company described above are furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K is being furnished solely to satisfy the requirements of Regulation FD in light of the disclosure. The furnishing of the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K is not intended to, and does not, constitute a representation that such furnishing is required by Regulation FD or that the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K is material information that is not otherwise publicly available.

The information in this Item 7.01 and the exhibit attached hereto is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth in such filing.

Cautionary Notes on Forward Looking Statements

This communication contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws, including Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. In this context, forward-looking statements often address expected future business and financial performance and financial condition, and often contain words such as expect, anticipate, intend, plan, believe, see, will, would, target, similar expressions, and variations or negatives of these words. Forward-looking statements by their nature address matters that are, to different degrees, uncertain, such as statements about the consummation of the proposed transaction and the anticipated benefits thereof. These and other forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future results and are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements, including the failure to consummate the proposed transaction or to make any filing or take other action required to consummate such transaction in a timely matter or at all, are not guarantees of future results and are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in

any forward-looking statements. Important risk factors that may cause such a difference include, but are not limited to: (i) the completion of the proposed transaction may not occur on the anticipated terms and timing or at all, (ii) the required regulatory approvals are not obtained, or that in order to obtain such regulatory approvals, conditions are imposed that adversely affect the anticipated benefits from the proposed transaction or cause the parties to abandon the proposed transaction, (iii) the risk that a condition to closing of the transaction may not be satisfied (including, but not limited to, the receipt of legal opinions with respect to the treatment of certain aspects of the transaction under U.S. and Australian tax laws), (iv) the risk that the anticipated tax treatment of the transaction is not obtained, (v) an increase or decrease in the anticipated transaction taxes (including due to any changes to tax legislation and its impact on tax rates (and the timing of the effectiveness of any such changes)) to be paid in connection with the separation prior to the closing of the transactions could cause an adjustment to the number of shares of New Disney, a new holding company that will become a parent of both Disney and 21CF, and the cash amount to be paid to holders of 21CF's common stock, (vi) potential litigation relating to the proposed transaction that could be instituted against 21CF, Disney or their respective directors, (vii) potential adverse reactions or changes to business relationships resulting from the announcement or completion of the transactions, (viii) risks associated with third party contracts containing consent and/or other provisions that may be triggered by the proposed transaction, (ix) negative effects of the announcement or the consummation of the transaction on the market price of 21CF's common stock, Disney's common stock and/or New Disney's common stock, (x) risks relating to the value of the New Disney shares to be issued in the transaction and uncertainty as to the long-term value of New Disney's common stock, (xi) the potential impact of unforeseen liabilities, future capital expenditures, revenues, expenses, earnings, synergies, economic performance, indebtedness, financial condition and losses on the future prospects, business and management strategies for the management, expansion and growth of New Disney's operations after the consummation of the transaction and on the other conditions to the completion of the merger, (xii) the risks and costs associated with, and the ability of New Disney to, integrate the businesses successfully and to achieve anticipated synergies, (xiii) the risk that disruptions from the proposed transaction will harm 21CF's or Disney's business, including current plans and operations, (xiv) the ability of 21CF or Disney to retain and hire key personnel, (xv) adverse legal and regulatory developments or determinations or adverse changes in, or interpretations of, U.S., Australian or other foreign laws, rules or regulations, including tax laws, rules and regulations, that could delay or prevent completion of the proposed transactions or cause the terms of the proposed transactions to be modified, (xvi) the ability of the parties to obtain or consummate financing or refinancing related to the transactions upon acceptable terms or at all, (xvii) the risk that New Fox, as a new company that currently has no credit rating, will not have access to the capital markets on acceptable terms, (xviii) the risk that New Fox may be unable to achieve some or all of the benefits that 21CF expects New Fox to achieve as an independent, publicly-traded company, (xix) the risk that New Fox may be more susceptible to market fluctuations and other adverse events than it would have otherwise been while still a part of 21CF, (xx) the risk that New Fox will incur significant indebtedness in connection with the separation and distribution, and the degree to which it will be leveraged following completion of the distribution may materially and adversely affect its business, financial condition and results of operations, (xxi) as well as management's response to any of the aforementioned factors.

These risks, as well as other risks associated with the proposed transactions, are more fully discussed in the updated joint proxy statement/prospectus included in the registration statement on Form S-4 of New Disney that was filed in connection with the transaction, and will be more fully discussed in the registration statement that will be filed with respect to New Fox. While the list of factors presented here and in the updated joint proxy statement/prospectus included in the Form S-4 are, and the list of factors presented in the registration statement of New Fox will be, considered representative, no such list should be considered to be a complete statement of all potential risks and uncertainties. Unlisted factors may present significant additional obstacles to the realization of forward looking statements. Consequences of material differences in results as compared with those anticipated in the forward-looking statements could include, among other things, business disruption, operational problems, financial loss, legal liability to third parties and similar risks, any of which could have a material adverse effect on 21CF's, Disney's or New Disney's consolidated financial condition, results of operations, credit rating or liquidity. Neither 21CF, Disney nor New Disney assume any obligation to publicly provide revisions or updates to any forward looking statements,

whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, should circumstances change, except as otherwise required by securities and other applicable laws.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number	Description
99.1	<u>Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements</u>

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 hereunto duly authorized.

TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY FOX,
INC.

By: /s/ Janet Nova
Janet Nova
Executive Vice President and Deputy
Group General Counsel

Dated: October 5, 2018