

ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN HOLDING L.P.

Form 8-K

October 26, 2016

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 26, 2016

ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN HOLDING L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-09818

13-3434400

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization) (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10105

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 212-969-1000

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

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

AllianceBernstein L.P. and AllianceBernstein Holding L.P. (collectively, “AB”) are furnishing their news release issued on October 26, 2016 announcing financial and operating results for the quarter ended September 30, 2016 (“3Q16 Release”). The 3Q16 Release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.01.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

AB is furnishing the 3Q16 Release, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.01.

Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 12, 2013, AB acquired W.P. Stewart & Co., Ltd. (“WPS”), an equity investment manager that managed, as of December 12, 2013, approximately \$2.1 billion in U.S., Global and EAFE concentrated growth equity strategies for its clients, primarily in the U.S. and Europe. On the date of this acquisition, each of approximately 4.9 million outstanding shares of WPS common stock (other than certain specified shares, as previously disclosed in Amendment No. 2 to Form S-4 filed by AllianceBernstein L.P. on November 8, 2013) was converted into the right to receive \$12.00 per share and one transferable contingent value right (“CVRs”) entitling the holders to an additional \$4.00 per share cash payment if the Assets Under Management (as such term is defined in the Contingent Value Rights Agreement (“CVR Agreement”) dated as of December 12, 2013, a copy of which was filed as Exhibit 4.01 (“Exhibit 4.01”) to the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 filed by each of AllianceBernstein L.P. and AllianceBernstein Holding L.P.) in the acquired WPS investment services business exceed \$5.0 billion on or before December 12, 2016, subject to certain measurement procedures and limitations set forth in the CVR Agreement. See the definition of AUM Milestone in Exhibit 4.01 for additional information regarding the circumstances that trigger payment pursuant to the CVRs. The foregoing description of the CVR Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the full text of the CVR Agreement, which is incorporated herein by reference.

As of September 30, 2016, the Assets Under Management are approximately \$4.4 billion. Accordingly, management has determined that the AUM Milestone did not occur during the third quarter of 2016.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.01 3Q16 Release.

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.

ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN
HOLDING L.P.

Dated: October 26, 2016 By:

/s/ David M. Lesser
David M. Lesser
Corporate Secretary

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