

BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P.
Form 8-K
November 07, 2016

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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): **November 7, 2016**

Buckeye Partners, L.P.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other
Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

1-9356
(Commission File
Number)

23-2432497
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

One Greenway Plaza

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Suite 600
Houston, TX
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

77046
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(832) 615-8600**

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On November 7, 2016, Buckeye Partners, L.P. (the Partnership) entered into an Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, between the Partnership and U.S. Bank National Association (successor-in-interest to SunTrust Bank), as trustee (the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture), pursuant to an Indenture, dated as of July 10, 2003, as amended and supplemented by the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, in connection with the issuance and sale of \$600.0 million aggregate principal amount of the Partnership s 3.95% senior unsecured notes due 2026 (the Notes). A copy of the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture is filed as Exhibit 4.1 to this report and is incorporated by reference herein. The offering of the Notes was registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, pursuant to a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-200443).

The foregoing description of the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 4.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

- 4.1 Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, dated November 7, 2016, between Buckeye Partners, L.P. and U.S. Bank National Association (successor-in-interest to SunTrust Bank), as trustee
- 5.1 Opinion of Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. as to the legality of the Notes
- 12.1 Computation of ratios of earnings to fixed charges
- 23.1 Consent of Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. (included in its opinion filed as Exhibit 5.1)

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.

BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Buckeye GP LLC,
its General Partner

By: /s/ Todd J. Russo
Todd J. Russo
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and
Secretary

Dated November 7, 2016

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