

OWENS ILLINOIS INC /DE/  
Form 8-K  
March 20, 2017

**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**

**March 20, 2017**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

**OWENS-ILLINOIS, INC.**  
**OWENS-ILLINOIS GROUP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware (Owens-Illinois, Inc.)  
Delaware (Owens-Illinois  
Group, Inc.)**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)

**1-9576  
33-13061**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**22-2781933  
34-1559348**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

**One Michael Owens Way  
Perrysburg, Ohio**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**43551-2999**  
(Zip Code)

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**(567) 336-5000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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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 7.01. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.**

On March 20, 2017, Owens-Illinois Group, Inc. ( *OI Group* ), the wholly owned subsidiary of Owens-Illinois, Inc., issued a press release (the *Press Release* ) announcing that OI European Group B.V. ( *OI Europe* ), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of OI Group, intends to offer, subject to market and other conditions, in a private offering 200 million aggregate principal amount of its 3.125% senior notes due 2024 (the *Notes* ), to be guaranteed by OI Group and certain U.S. domestic subsidiaries of OI Group that are guarantors under OI Group's credit agreement. The Notes are being issued under an indenture dated November 3, 2016 (the *Indenture* ) pursuant to which OI Europe previously issued 500 million in aggregate principal amount of 3.125% senior notes due 2024. A copy of the Press Release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report.

OI Europe's obligations under the Notes will be unsecured and guaranteed on a joint and several basis by OI Group and certain U.S. domestic subsidiaries of OI Group that are guarantors under OI Group's credit agreement. The Indenture contains covenants which, among other things, restrict the ability of OI Group and its subsidiaries to incur liens, engage in certain sale and leaseback transactions and consolidate, merge or sell all or substantially all of OI Group's assets.

The Notes and the guarantees have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the *Securities Act* ), or applicable state securities laws, and will be offered only to qualified institutional buyers in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act and to certain non-U.S. persons in transactions outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act. Unless so registered, the Notes and the guarantees may not be offered or sold in the United States except pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. Prospective purchasers that are qualified institutional buyers are hereby notified that the seller of the Notes may be relying on the exemption from the provisions of Section 5 of the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 is for informational purposes only and shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy the Notes or the guarantees, nor shall there be any sale of the Notes and the guarantees in any state or jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission 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 or Sections 11 and 12(a)(2) of the Securities Act and such information shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed pursuant to the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.

Forward-Looking Statements

The information contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements, as defined by federal securities laws. Forward-looking statements reflect OI Group's current expectations and projections about future events at the time, and thus involve uncertainty and risk. The words believe, expect, anticipate, will, could, would, should, may, plan, estimate, intend, predict, potent negatives of these words and other similar expressions generally identify forward-looking statements. It is possible OI Group's future financial performance may differ from expectations due to a variety of factors including, but not limited to the following: (1) OI Group's ability to integrate its acquisition (the *Vitro Acquisition* ) of the food and beverage glass containers business of Vitro, S.A.B. de C.V. and its subsidiaries as conducted in the United States, Mexico and Bolivia (the *Vitro Business* ) in a timely and cost effective manner, and to realize expected growth opportunities, cost savings and synergies from the Vitro Acquisition, (2) foreign currency fluctuations relative to the U.S. dollar, (3) changes in capital availability or cost, including interest rate fluctuations and the ability of OI Group to refinance debt at favorable terms, (4) the general political, economic and competitive conditions in markets and countries where OI Group has operations, including uncertainties related to

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economic and social conditions, disruptions in capital markets, disruptions in the supply chain, competitive pricing pressures, inflation or deflation, and changes in tax rates and laws, (5) OI Group's ability to generate sufficient future cash flows to ensure OI Group's goodwill is not impaired, (6) consumer preferences for alternative forms of packaging, (7) cost and availability of raw materials, labor, energy and transportation, (8) OI Group's ability to

manage its cost structure, including its success in implementing restructuring plans and achieving cost savings, (9) consolidation among competitors and customers, (10) OI Group's ability to acquire businesses and expand plants, integrate operations of acquired businesses and achieve expected synergies, (11) unanticipated expenditures with respect to environmental, safety and health laws, (12) OI Group's ability to further develop its sales, marketing and product development capabilities, (13) OI Group's ability to prevent and detect cybersecurity threats against its information technology systems, (14) changes in U.S. trade policies, (15) OI Group's ability to achieve its strategic plan, and (16) the other risk factors discussed in OI Group's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 and any subsequently filed Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. It is not possible to foresee or identify all such factors. Any forward-looking statements in this Current Report on Form 8-K are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by OI Group in light of its experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments, and other factors it believes are appropriate in the circumstances. Forward-looking statements are not a guarantee of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from expectations. OI Group's forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made. While OI Group continually reviews trends and uncertainties affecting OI Group's results of operations and financial condition, OI Group does not assume any obligation to update or supplement any particular forward-looking statements contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K.

**ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.**

**(d) Exhibits.**

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>                  |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 99.1               | Press Release, dated March 20, 2017 |

**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.

OWENS-ILLINOIS, INC.

Date: March 20, 2017

By: /s/ Jan A. Bertsch  
Name: Jan A. Bertsch  
Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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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.

OWENS-ILLINOIS GROUP, INC.

Date: March 20, 2017

By: /s/ Jan A. Bertsch  
Name: Jan A. Bertsch  
Title: President and Chief Financial Officer

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