

Aircastle LTD
Form 8-K
September 25, 2018

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): September 25, 2018 (September 20, 2018)

AIRCASTLE LIMITED

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Bermuda
(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

c/o Aircastle Advisor LLC

001-32959
(Commission

File Number)

98-0444035
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

06901

201 Tresser Boulevard, Suite 401, Stamford, Connecticut

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 504-1020

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report): N/A

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):

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 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

(a) Underwriting Agreement

On September 20, 2018, Aircastle Limited (the Company) entered into an Underwriting Agreement, dated September 20, 2018 (the Underwriting Agreement), between the Company and Goldman, Sachs & Co. LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., MUFG Securities Americas Inc. and RBC Capital Markets, LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein (collectively, the Underwriters), relating to the offering and sale by the Company of \$650 million aggregate principal amount of the Company s 4.400% Senior Notes due 2023 (the Notes).

The Company has agreed to indemnify the Underwriters against certain liabilities, including certain liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or to contribute to any payments the Underwriters may be required to make in respect of those liabilities. In addition, the Underwriting Agreement contains customary representations, warranties and agreements of the Company and customary conditions to closing.

The foregoing is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Underwriting Agreement, attached as Exhibit 1.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

The representations, warranties and covenants contained in the Underwriting Agreement were made only for purposes of the Underwriting Agreement and as of the specific date (or dates) set forth therein, and were solely for the benefit of the parties to the Underwriting Agreement and are subject to certain limitations as agreed upon by the parties thereto. In addition, the representations, warranties and covenants contained in the Underwriting Agreement may be subject to standards of materiality applicable to the parties that differ from those applicable to investors. Investors are not third-party beneficiaries of the Underwriting Agreement and should not rely on the representations, warranties and covenants contained therein, or any descriptions thereof, as characterizations of the actual state of facts or conditions of the Company. Moreover, information concerning the subject matter of the representations and warranties may change after the date of the Underwriting Agreement, which subsequent developments may not be fully reflected in the Company s public disclosures.

Certain of the Underwriters and their respective affiliates have in the past provided, are currently providing and may in the future from time to time provide, investment banking and other financing, trading, banking, research, transfer agent and trustee services to the Company, its subsidiaries and affiliates, for which they have in the past received, and may currently or in the future receive, fees and expenses. In addition, affiliates of certain of the Underwriters are lenders, and in some cases, agents, arrangers and/or managers, under the Company s revolving credit facilities. Affiliates of such Underwriters may receive a portion of the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes to the extent the Company uses such net proceeds to repay indebtedness under its revolving credit facilities.

(b) Supplemental Indenture

On September 25, 2018, the Company issued the Notes pursuant to an Indenture, dated as of December 5, 2013 (the Base Indenture), between the Company and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee for the Notes (the Trustee), as supplemented by a Sixth Supplemental Indenture, dated as of September 25, 2018, between the Company and the Trustee (the Sixth Supplemental Indenture and, together with the Base Indenture, the Indenture). The Notes were offered pursuant to a Prospectus Supplement, dated September 20, 2018, to the Prospectus, dated May 9, 2018, filed as part of the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-224813) filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

The Sixth Supplemental Indenture includes the form of the Notes. The Notes will pay interest semi-annually on March 25 and September 25, beginning on March 25, 2019, at a rate of 4.400% per annum, until September 25, 2023. The Company intends to use the net proceeds from the sale of Notes for general corporate purposes, which may include the acquisition of aircraft or the refinancing of its existing indebtedness.

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The Company may redeem some or all of the Notes at any time prior to August 25, 2023 by paying a specified make-whole premium, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date. On and after August 25, 2023, the Company may redeem some or all of the Notes at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date.

If a Change of Control Triggering Event (as defined in the Sixth Supplemental Indenture) occurs, each holder of the Notes will have the right to require the Company to repurchase all or any part of that holder's Notes at 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the repurchase date. If the Company sells assets outside the ordinary course of business and does not use the net proceeds for specified purposes, it may be required to use such net proceeds to repurchase Notes at 100% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of repurchase.

The Sixth Supplemental Indenture contains covenants that, among other things, restrict the Company's and its subsidiaries' (other than certain joint ventures) ability to incur liens that secure obligations under indebtedness for borrowed money or capitalized lease obligations and consolidate, amalgamate, merge, sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of the Company's assets.

The Sixth Supplemental Indenture also provides for customary events of default, including non-payment of principal, interest or premium, failure to comply with covenants, and certain bankruptcy or insolvency events.

The foregoing is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Fifth Supplemental Indenture, attached as Exhibit 4.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant

The information included in Item 1.01 is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits:

Exhibit Number	Description
1.1	<u>Underwriting Agreement, dated September 20, 2018, between Aircastle Limited and Goldman, Sachs & Co. LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., MUFG Securities Americas Inc. and RBC Capital Markets, LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein</u>
4.1	<u>Sixth Supplemental Indenture, dated as of September 25, 2018, between Aircastle Limited and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee</u>
4.2	<u>Form of 4.400% Senior Notes due 2023 (included in Exhibit 4.1)</u>
5.1	<u>Opinion of Conyers Dill & Pearman Limited</u>
5.2	<u>Opinion of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP</u>
23.1	<u>Consent of Conyers Dill & Pearman Limited (included in Exhibit 5.1)</u>
23.2	<u>Consent of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP (included in Exhibit 5.2)</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.

AIRCASTLE LIMITED
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Christopher Beers

Name: Christopher Beers
Title: Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

Date: September 25, 2018