CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORP Form 8-K May 12, 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): May 6, 2016

CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter) Oklahoma 1-13726 73-1395733 (State (IRS or Employer other (Commission Identification jurisdictionFile No.) of No.) incorporation) 6100 North Western Avenue, Oklahoma 73118 City, Oklahoma (Address of principal (Zip Code) executive offices) (405) 848-8000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Item 3.02 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.

Chesapeake Energy Corporation (the "Company") has entered into privately negotiated purchase and exchange agreements under which it has and will exchange in reliance on Section 3(a)(9) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock") for certain of its outstanding senior notes (the "Exchange Transactions"). From May 5, 2016 through May 11, 2016, the Company has issued or agreed to issue an aggregate of 28,104,913 shares of Common Stock, representing approximately 4.1% of the Company's outstanding Common Stock, in exchange for: (i) \$90.0 million aggregate principal amount of its 2.5% Contingent Convertible Senior Notes due 2037 (with May 2017 put rights); (ii) \$38.0 million aggregate principal amount of its 6.5% Senior Notes due 2017; (iii) \$10.0 million aggregate principal amount of its 2.25% Contingent Convertible Senior Notes due 2038 (with 2018 put rights); and (iv) \$15.0 million aggregate principal amount of its Floating Rate Senior Notes due 2019.

Pursuant to Section 3(a)(9) of the Securities Act, the Common Stock issued in the Exchange Transactions was issued to existing securityholders of the Company and no commission or other remuneration was paid or given for soliciting the Exchanges.

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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.

## CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION

By: /s/ James R. Webb James R. Webb Executive Vice President - General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Date: May 12, 2016