

CAESARS ENTERTAINMENT CORP

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**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

May 10, 2017

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

Caesars Entertainment Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State of Incorporation)

001-10410
(Commission
File Number)

62-1411755
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

One Caesars Palace Drive
Las Vegas, Nevada 89109
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(702) 407-6000
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A
(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:

- 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 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 8.01 Other Events.

On May 10, 2017, Caesars Entertainment Corporation (“CEC”), the parent of Caesars Entertainment Resort Properties, LLC (“CERP”), issued a press release announcing the repricing of CERP’s approximately \$2.4 billion senior secured term loan facility and the repricing of approximately \$211 million of its approximately \$270 million revolving credit facility. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated into this report by reference.

The closing of the repricing transaction is anticipated to occur during the week of May 8, 2017, subject to the negotiation and execution of definitive documentation and satisfaction of customary closing conditions.

Important Additional Information

Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 9, 2016, between CEC and Caesars Acquisition Company (“CAC”), as subsequently amended on February 20, 2017 (as amended, the “Merger Agreement”), among other things, CAC will merge with and into CEC, with CEC as the surviving company (the “Merger”). In connection with the Merger, on March 13, 2017, CEC and CAC filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) a registration statement on Form S-4 that includes a preliminary joint proxy statement/prospectus, as well as other relevant documents concerning the proposed transaction. The registration statement has not yet become effective. After the registration statement is declared effective by the SEC, a definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus will be mailed to stockholders of CEC and CAC. Stockholders are urged to read the registration statement and joint proxy statement/prospectus regarding the Merger and any other relevant documents filed with the SEC, as well as any amendments or supplements to those documents, because they will contain important information. You will be able to obtain a free copy of such joint proxy statement/prospectus, as well as other filings containing information about CEC and CAC, at the SEC’s website (www.sec.gov), from CEC Investor Relations (investor.caesars.com) or from CAC Investor Relations (investor.caesarsacquisitioncompany.com).

The information in this communication is for informational purposes only and is neither an offer to purchase, nor a solicitation of an offer to sell, subscribe for or buy any securities or the solicitation of any vote or approval in any jurisdiction pursuant to or in connection with the proposed transactions or otherwise, nor shall there be any sale, issuance or transfer of securities in any jurisdiction in contravention of applicable law. No offer of securities shall be made except by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and otherwise in accordance with applicable law.

CEC, CAC and their respective directors, executive officers and certain other members of management and employees may be soliciting proxies from CEC and CAC stockholders in favor of the business combination transaction. Information regarding the persons who may, under the rules of the SEC, be considered participants in the solicitation of the CEC and CAC stockholders in connection with the proposed business combination transaction is set forth in the definitive proxy statement filed with the SEC on April 12, 2017 and Amendment No. 1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for CAC’s fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, filed on March 31, 2017, respectively. You can obtain free copies of these documents from CEC and CAC in the manner set forth above.

Forward-Looking Statements

This filing includes “forward-looking statements” intended to qualify for the safe harbor from liability established by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. You can identify these statements by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts and by the use of words such as “may,” “will” and “anticipated” or the negative or other variations thereof or comparable terminology. In particular, they include statements relating to, among other things, the emergence from bankruptcy of Caesars Entertainment Operating Company, Inc. (“CEOC”) and the expected timing thereof, future actions that may be taken by CEC and others with respect thereto, the completion of the Merger, and the closing of the repricing transaction. These forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and projections about future events.

You are cautioned that forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance or results and involve risks and uncertainties that cannot be predicted or quantified and, consequently, the actual performance and results of CEC may differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the following factors, as well as other factors described from time to time in our reports filed with the SEC: the Merger may not be consummated or one or more events, changes or other circumstances could occur that could give rise to the termination of the Merger Agreement, CEC’s and CEOC’s ability (or inability) to meet any milestones or other conditions set forth in their restructuring support agreements, CEC’s and CEOC’s ability (or inability) to satisfy the conditions to the effectiveness of the Third Amended Joint Plan of Reorganization of CEOC and its Chapter 11 debtor subsidiaries, CEC’s ability (or inability) to secure additional liquidity to meet its ongoing obligations and its commitments to support the CEOC restructuring as necessary,

other risks associated with the CEOC restructuring and related litigation, CEC's ability to refinance certain of CERP's outstanding high yield debt, and CEC's ability to negotiate definitive documentation and satisfy customary closing conditions relating to the repricing transaction.

You are cautioned to not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this filing. CEC undertakes no obligation to publicly update or release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this filing or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, except as required by law.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is being filed herewith:

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CAESARS ENTERTAINMENT CORPORATION

Date: May 10, 2017

By: /s/ SCOTT E. WIEGAND

Name: Scott E. Wiegand

Title: Senior Vice President, Deputy General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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Press Release.



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Caesars Entertainment Announces Repricing of CERP \$2.4 Billion Senior Secured Term Loan

LAS VEGAS, May 10, 2017 — Caesars Entertainment Corporation (NASDAQ: CZR) (“Caesars Entertainment”) (“CEC”) today announced that Caesars Entertainment Resort Properties, LLC (“CERP”) has successfully repriced its approximately \$2.4 billion senior secured term loan facility (the “Term Facility”). CERP is a wholly owned subsidiary of Caesars Entertainment.

The interest rate under the Term Facility is the London Interbank Offered Rate (“LIBOR”) plus 350 basis points. This represents a reduction of 250 basis points. CERP also repriced approximately \$211 million of its approximately \$270 million revolving credit facility to LIBOR plus 350 basis points.

The CERP repricing lowers CERP’s overall cost of capital, which will benefit the enterprise. The repricing is the latest step in the effort to optimize the balance sheet and improve free cash flow across the enterprise, following the recently announced repricing of certain debt of Caesars Growth Properties Holdings, LLC (“CGPH”).

“Through the CERP and CGPH repricings, Caesars Entertainment will have reduced annual interest expense by nearly \$100 million,” said Mark Frissora, President and Chief Executive Officer of Caesars Entertainment. “The approximately \$3 billion of outstanding high yield debt of these two entities remains mispriced relative to recent issues from peers. We believe this may present an opportunity to take additional actions to further reduce annual interest expense should favorable market conditions persist.”

The closing of the CERP repricing transaction is anticipated to occur the week of May 8, 2017, subject to the negotiation and execution of definitive documentation and satisfaction of customary closing conditions.

About Caesars Entertainment Corporation

Caesars Entertainment Corporation (“CEC”) is the world’s most diversified casino-entertainment provider and the most geographically diverse U.S. casino-entertainment company. CEC is mainly

comprised of the following three entities: the majority owned operating subsidiary Caesars Entertainment Operating Company, Inc. (“CEO”), wholly owned CERP and Caesars Growth Properties, LLC, in which we hold a variable economic interest. Since its beginning in Reno, Nevada, 79 years ago, CEC has grown through development of new resorts, expansions and acquisitions and its portfolio of subsidiaries now operate 47 casinos in 13 U.S. states and five countries. CEC’s resorts operate primarily under the Caesars[®], Harrah’s[®] and Horseshoe[®] brand names. CEC’s portfolio also includes the London Clubs International family of casinos. CEC is focused on building loyalty and value with its guests through a unique combination of great service, excellent products, unsurpassed distribution, operational excellence and technology leadership. CEC is committed to environmental sustainability and energy conservation and recognizes the importance of being a responsible steward of the environment. For more information, please visit www.caesars.com.

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