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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): February 17, 2017 (February 16, 2017)

GASTAR EXPLORATION INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-35211
(Commission
File Number)

38-3531640
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**1331 LAMAR STREET, SUITE 650
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77010**
(Address of principal executive offices)

(713) 739-1800
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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SECTION 1 – REGISTRANT’S BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

Securities Purchase Agreement

On February 16, 2017, Gastar Exploration Inc. (the “Company”) entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement (the “Purchase Agreement”) with certain purchasers (the “Purchasers”) affiliated with Ares Management, L.P. (“Ares”), pursuant to which the Company will issue and sell for cash to the Purchasers (i) \$125,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its Convertible Notes due 2022 (the “Notes”) sold at par, which Notes, subject to the receipt of approval of the Company’s stockholders, will be convertible into common stock, par value \$0.001 per share of the Company (the “Common Stock”) or, in certain circumstances, cash in lieu of Common Stock or a combination thereof as described below and (ii) 29,408,305 shares of Common Stock for a purchase price of \$50 million. In addition, an affiliate of Ares has agreed to concurrently loan the Company \$250 million pursuant to a first-lien secured term loan (the “Term Loan”) sold at par. The Company expects to complete the above financings later this month, subject to the finalization of security and collateral documentation and the satisfaction of customary closing conditions. Proceeds from the sale of the Notes, the Common Stock and the Term Loan will be used to fully repay and redeem the Company’s existing \$70.4 million revolving credit facility and its \$325 million senior secured notes due May 2018.

The Common Stock was priced based on a 30-trading day volume weighted average trading price (the “VWAP”) determined on the date immediately prior to the signing date of the Purchase Agreement. The 30-day VWAP as of February 15, 2017 was \$1.7002, which resulted in the agreement to issue 29,408,305 shares of Common Stock to the Purchasers, or approximately 18.8% of the shares of the Company’s 156,715,833 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding as of January 31, 2017.

The Notes will be issued for cash at par and will bear interest at 6.0% per annum. Subject to receipt of stockholder approval within four months of the closing date (the “Closing”) of the above financings (the “Requisite Stockholder Approval”), the Notes will be convertible at the option of the holder into shares of Common Stock based on an initial conversion rate of 452.4355 shares of Common Stock per \$1,000 principal amount of the Notes (which is equivalent to an initial conversion price of \$2.2103 per share, or 30% above the VWAP of the Common Stock for the 30 trading days prior to execution of the Purchase Agreement), subject to certain adjustments and the issuance of additional “make-whole” shares under circumstances specified in the Indenture governing the Notes (the “Indenture”). Subject to certain limitations, the Company will have the right to settle its conversion obligations on the Notes in Common Stock, or in cash or a combination thereof. If the Company obtains the Requisite Stockholder Approval, then the Company will have the right to redeem the Notes (i) on or after the second anniversary of the Closing if the Common Stock trades above 150% of the conversion price for periods specified in the Indenture; and (ii) on or after March 1, 2021 without regard to such condition, in each case at par plus accrued interest. The Notes will mature on March 1, 2022, unless earlier repurchased, redeemed or converted in accordance with the terms of the Indenture prior to such date. The interest rate, conversion rate and other financial terms of the Notes were determined by negotiations between the Company and the Purchasers. The interest rate on the Notes will be subject to an increase in certain circumstances if the Company fails to comply with certain obligations under the Registration Rights Agreement (as defined below), or in the case of certain issuances of Common Stock at below the initial reference price of \$1.7002 per share.

If stockholders do not approve the conversion rights of the Notes into Common Stock within four months of the Closing, the Notes will not be convertible and the interest rate on the Notes will increase in increments to 15% per annum, and will not be redeemable by the Company prior to maturity except upon payment of a “make-whole” redemption premium.

The Notes will be secured by a second-priority lien on substantially all of the assets of the Company and will include covenants restricting the Company’s ability to, among other things, incur debt, grant liens, pay dividends, engage in transactions with affiliates and other customary covenants of high yield debt securities.

The Common Stock proposed to be sold in the above described financing and the shares of Common Stock issued upon conversion of the Notes will be subject to certain registration rights under a Registration Rights Agreement (the “Registration Rights Agreement”) that will be executed upon Closing. The Registration Rights Agreement will include a plan of distribution permitting the Purchasers to sell the covered Common Stock by

various means, including in open market sales from time to time, pursuant to underwritten offerings or in negotiated sales. The failure to (i) file a registration statement prior to a date which is four months from the Closing of the financings above, (ii) have the registration statement declared effective within four months of the filing date for the Company's 2016 Annual report on Form 10-K or (iii) thereafter, with certain exceptions, maintain the effectiveness of the registration statement, will result in additional interest accruing on the Notes for so long as they are outstanding. The Company will be required to cooperate in a maximum of four underwritten offerings under the Registration Rights Agreement at the expense of the Company (other than underwriting discounts).

The Term Loan will be secured by a first-priority lien on substantially all of the assets of the Company and will include covenants restricting the Company's ability to incur debt, grant liens, pay dividends, engage in transactions with affiliates and other customary covenants of a credit facility of its type (subject to certain exceptions). The maturity date of the Term Loan will be March 1, 2022 and will bear interest at 8.5% per annum, payable on a quarterly basis. In addition, the Term Loan will be subject to an interest "make-whole" and repayment premium, such that any repayment or prepayment of the loans thereunder prior to the stated maturity date shall be subject to the payment of a repayment premium, and depending on the date of such repayment or prepayment, the applicable interest "make-whole" amount, with the amount of such repayment premium decreasing over the life of the Term Loan.

The Company does not expect that the covenants or other provisions of the Term Loan or the Notes will restrict the payment of dividends on the Company's outstanding preferred stock through July 2018, and, thereafter, such payments will be subject to satisfaction of certain financial conditions. Any future dividends on such preferred stock, however, remain subject to declaration by the Company, and there is no assurance that the Company will declare and pay any future dividends, even if it is permitted to do so under the terms of the Term Loan or the Notes.

Pursuant to the Purchase Agreement and so long as the Purchasers beneficially own at least 15% of the Company's Common Stock (excluding shares issuable upon conversion of the Notes), the Purchasers will be entitled to nominate two directors to an expanded eight member board of directors of the Company. If the Purchasers beneficially own 5% or more, but less than 15% of the Company's Common Stock (excluding shares issuable upon conversion of the Notes), the Purchasers will be entitled to nominate one director to the board of directors of the Company.

The issuance of Common Stock and the Notes will be consummated as a private placement to "accredited investors" (as that term is defined under Rule 501 of Regulation D), exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), in reliance upon Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act and Regulation D Rule 506, as a transaction by an issuer not involving a public offering.

SECTION 2 – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition .

On February 17, 2017, the Company announced its total proved reserves as of December 31, 2016, certain operating results, certain information concerning year-end 2016 borrowings and its 2017 capital plan information. A copy of the Company's press release, dated February 17, 2017, is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information presented herein under Item 2.02 and set forth in the attached press release included in Exhibit 99.1 to this report is deemed to be "furnished" solely pursuant to Item 2.02 of this report and shall not be deemed "filed" 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, nor shall such information or the exhibit be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.

SECTION 2 – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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

The information disclosed in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03.

SECTION 3 – SECURITIES AND TRADING MARKETS

Item 3.02 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.

The information set forth under “Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement” under the heading “Securities Purchase Agreement” of this Current Report on Form 8-K with respect to the unregistered sales of equity securities is incorporated into this Item 3.02 by reference.

SECTION 7 – REGULATION FD

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On February 17, 2017, the Company issued a press release announcing the signing of the Purchase Agreement, certain year-end reserves information, operational results, year-end 2016 borrowings and its 2017 capital plan. A copy of the Company’s press release, dated February 17, 2017, is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information presented herein under Item 7.01 and set forth in the attached press release included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report is deemed to be “furnished” solely pursuant to Item 7.01 of this report and shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information or the exhibit be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.

SECTION – OTHER EVENTS

Item 8.01 Other Items.

On February 17, 2017, the Company announced its 2017 capital plan. The Company’s 2017 capital budget is approximately \$84.0 million comprised of \$46.0 million of drilling and completion costs, \$30.8 million in leasing costs and \$7.2 million for capitalized interest and administration costs. The Company currently operates approximately 92% of its drilling and completions budget. The Company expects to fund its 2017 capital program through existing cash balances, recent financing activities and internally generated cash flow from operating activities. The 2017 capital budget is subject to change and will be affected by many factors, including but not limited to changes in commodity prices and costs of drilling and completion, potential acquisition opportunities, well results and the availability of capital.

The Company ended 2016 with approximately \$71.5 million of cash and \$84.6 million of debt outstanding under the revolving credit facility. To date, the Company has issued approximately 24.0 million common shares under its at-the-market (“ATM”) program for net proceeds of \$32.8 million. The ATM proceeds were used primarily to catch-up preferred dividend payments and associated pay down of the revolving credit facility. There are no current plans to issue any additional common shares under the Company’s ATM program. As of January 31, 2017, the Company had 156,715,833 shares of Common Stock outstanding.

SECTION 9 – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following is a list of exhibits filed as part of this Form 8-K:

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description of Document</u>
99.1	Press Release of Gastar Exploration Inc., dated February 17, 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.

Date: February 17, 2017

GASTAR EXPLORATION INC.

By: /s/ J. Russell Porter

J. Russell Porter

President and Chief Executive Officer

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For Immediate Release



NEWS RELEASE

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Gastar Exploration Announces Capital Transaction with Funds Managed by Ares Management, Updated STACK Play Well Results, 2016 Year-end Reserves and 2017 Capital Plan

Gastar to host a conference call to discuss the announcement at 9:00 am CST today

HOUSTON, February 17, 2017 – Gastar Exploration Inc. (“Gastar” or the “Company”) (NYSE MKT: GST) announced today that it has entered into a definitive securities purchase agreement with funds managed by affiliates of Ares Management, L.P. (NYSE: ARES) (“Ares”) that provides for \$425 million in new financing to the Company in the form of a \$250 million secured term loan, \$125 million secured convertible notes and a \$50 million common stock issuance (collectively, the “Ares Investment”). Proceeds from the Ares Investment will be used to fully repay Gastar’s existing \$70.4 million revolving credit facility and redeem its \$325 million senior secured notes due May 2018. The closing and funding of the Ares Investment, which is expected this month, is subject to the finalization of security and collateral documentation and the satisfaction of customary conditions precedent to funding.

The Ares Investment key terms are as follows:

- \$250 million first lien secured term loan, 8.5% interest, maturing March 2022;
- \$125 million second lien secured convertible notes, 6.0% interest, convertible, upon receipt of stockholder approval, at an initial conversion price of \$2.21 per share at the option of the holder, maturing March 2022; and
- 29,408,305 common shares issued at \$1.7002 per share representing the 30-day volume weighted average sales price as of February 15, 2017.

If the conversion rights of the convertible notes are not approved by Gastar’s stockholders within four months, the convertible notes will not become convertible and will begin bearing interest at 15.0% as a straight high-yield debt obligation. In connection with the closing of the Ares Investment, Gastar expects to call for redemption of all of its outstanding \$325 million principal of its 8.625% senior secured notes due May 15, 2018 in accordance with their terms.

Ares will be granted the right to nominate, following closing, up to two directors to an expanded board of eight directors subject to certain minimum stock ownership requirements.

Commenting on the transaction, J. Russell Porter, Gastar's President and Chief Executive Officer, said, "We are extremely pleased to welcome Ares as a financing partner and as an equity sponsor. This transaction will allow Gastar to fully delineate our STACK position across multiple productive formations, as well as to pursue strategic M&A opportunities in the Mid-Continent. While this new capital structure does not provide an immediate, comprehensive resolution to our leverage position, we believe it establishes a very achievable path toward further de-levering our balance sheet through a combination of increasing cash flow from drilling operations as well as the potential conversion of the \$125 million secured convertible notes, which were priced at an attractive premium to our current share price."

Mr. Porter continued, "The fact that a firm with Ares' experience and successful track record is choosing to invest \$425 million in Gastar is a testament to the quality of our assets and our entire team. We are pleased to welcome Nate Walton and Ronnie Scott to Gastar's Board of Directors in the near future and look forward to working with them."

Mr. Walton, a partner at Ares, also commented on the transaction, "Through this investment in Gastar, we look forward to working together to unlock the value in its attractive STACK assets. We believe that access to capital, combined with Gastar's outstanding assets, management and staff, provides an opportunity to create substantial value for all of Gastar's stakeholders."

Seaport Global Securities LLC served as financial advisor and placement agent and Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. served as legal advisor to the Company. Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. served as financial advisor and Latham & Watkins LLP served as legal advisor to Ares.

Operations Update

Gastar also announced additional well results from recent STACK drilling activities. Under its previously announced drilling joint venture, Gastar has now drilled and completed eight Meramec wells and has drilled, but not yet completed, seven Meramec wells and one Osage well. Of the eight wells, six wells are in various stages of initial flow back prior to reaching their initial peak production rates.

Two of the Meramec wells, the Ingle 29-1H and the Geis 31-1H, have achieved initial peak production ("IP") rates of 1,037 (81% oil) and 877 (69% oil) barrels of oil equivalent ("BOE") per day, respectively. Gastar is currently drilling the 15th and 16th wells in the initial 20-well tranche of the drilling joint venture and expects to release additional results concurrent with its future quarterly earnings announcements.

Outside Gastar's drilling joint venture, the Company has recently drilled and completed one Osage well and one Oswego well. Gastar's initial Osage well, the McGee 29-1H located in southern Garfield County, Oklahoma, had an IP rate of 414 BOE per day (80% oil) and a post-peak IP 30-day rate of 353 BOE per day (74% oil). The McGee 29-1H well was drilled in the lower Osage with its

production rate impacted by approximately 30% of the wellbore being completed outside of the primary target zone. The McGee 29-1H well was cored through the Osage and Woodford formations and that information was used to re-target the remaining 70% of the lateral into the primary target zone. The core information also confirmed the presence of an upper Osage target that will be tested in future wells.

Gastar's preliminary 2017 capital budget includes the drilling of 14 additional Osage wells in Kingfisher and Garfield Counties, Oklahoma outside of the drilling joint venture area.

Gastar's initial Oswego well, the Tomahawk 7-1H, located in Kingfisher County, Oklahoma, realized an IP rate of 418 BOE per day (100% oil) and a post-peak IP 30-day rate of 262 BOE per day (98% oil). Gastar's 2017 preliminary drilling budget currently does not include additional operated Oswego wells, however, Gastar is participating in one Oswego well being drilled by another operator in the area.

Additional details regarding Gastar's well results are available on its website.

Year-End Reserves

Gastar's year-end 2016 Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") proved reserves totaled 25.6 million BOE comprised of 54% oil and condensate, 25% natural gas and 21% natural gas liquids. Total proved reserves declined from year-end 2015 by 30.3 million BOE, of which 14.8 million BOE was related to the sale of the Company's assets in the Appalachian Basin. The remainder of the reserve decline was primarily the result of the removal of Hunton proved undeveloped locations as the Company now focuses its current and future capital activity on drilling Meramec and Osage wells to hold acreage by production and delineate its STACK position. Proved developed reserves represented 51% of total proved reserves and declined from 2015 by approximately 594,000 BOE, excluding the impact of the sale of the Company's assets in the Appalachian Basin.

The SEC-priced pre-tax PV-10 (a non-GAAP financial measure defined at the end of this news release) was \$141.3 million. The calculation of the PV-10 value of Gastar's proved reserves for year-end 2016 used the SEC benchmark average 12-month pricing of \$42.75 per barrel of oil and \$2.48 per MMBtu of natural gas.

2017 Capital Plan and Liquidity

Gastar's 2017 capital budget is approximately \$84.0 million comprised of \$46.0 million of drilling and completion costs, \$30.8 million in leasing costs and \$7.2 million for capitalized interest and administration costs. The Company currently operates approximately 92% of its drilling and completions budget. Additional details regarding Gastar's capital budget are available on its website.

Gastar ended 2016 with approximately \$71.5 million of cash and \$84.6 million of debt outstanding under the revolving credit facility. To date, the Company has issued approximately 24.0 million common shares under its at-the-market ("ATM") program for net proceeds of \$32.8 million. The

ATM proceeds were used primarily to catch-up preferred dividend payments and associated pay down of the revolving credit facility. There are no current plans to issue any additional common shares under the ATM program. Gastar expects to fund its 2017 capital program through existing cash balances, recent financing activities and internally generated cash flow from operating activities.

Additional details regarding the Ares Investment, year-end 2016 reserves, 2017 capital plan and recent well results are available for download from the Events & Presentations section of Gastar's website at www.gastar.com.

Gastar has scheduled a conference call for 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time (9:00 a.m. Central Time) today, Friday, February 17, 2017. Investors may participate in the call either by phone or audio webcast.

By Phone: Dial 1-412-902-0030 at least 10 minutes before the call. A telephone replay will be available through February 23 by dialing 1-201-612-7415 and using the conference ID: 13655655.

By Webcast: Visit the Investor Relations page of Gastar's website at www.gastar.com under "Events & Presentations." Please log on a few minutes in advance to register and download any necessary software. A replay will be available shortly after the call.

For more information, please contact Donna Washburn at Dennard-Lascar Associates at 713-529-6600 or e-mail dwashburn@dennardlascar.com.

About Gastar Exploration

Gastar Exploration Inc. is a pure play Mid-Continent independent energy company engaged in the exploration, development and production of oil, condensate, natural gas and natural gas liquids. Gastar's principal business activities include the identification, acquisition, and subsequent exploration and development of oil and natural gas properties with an emphasis on unconventional reserves, such as shale resource plays. Gastar holds a concentrated acreage position in what is believed to be the core of the STACK Play, an area of central Oklahoma which is home to multiple oil and natural gas-rich reservoirs including the Meramec, Oswego, Osage, Woodford and Hunton formations. For more information, visit Gastar's website at www.gastar.com.

Information on Reserves and PV-10 Value

For the year ended December 31, 2016, future cash inflows were computed using the 12-month un-weighted arithmetic average of the first-day-of-the-month prices for natural gas and oil (the

“benchmark base prices”) adjusted by lease in accordance with sales contracts and for energy content, quality, transportation, compression and gathering fees and regional price differentials, relating to the Company’s proved reserves. Benchmark base prices are held constant in accordance with SEC guidelines for the life of the wells but are adjusted by lease in accordance with sales contracts and for energy content, quality, transportation, compression, and gathering fees and regional price differentials.

PV-10 represents the present value, discounted at 10% per annum, of estimated future net revenue before income tax of our estimated proved reserves. PV-10 is a non-GAAP financial measure as defined by the SEC. We believe that the presentation of PV-10 is relevant and useful to our investors because it presents the discounted future net cash flows attributable to our reserves prior to taking into account corporate future income taxes and our current tax structure. We further believe investors and creditors use PV-10 as a basis for comparison of the relative size of our reserves as compared with other companies.

The financial measure most directly comparable to PV-10 is the standardized measure of future net cash flows (“Standardized Measure”). We are not yet able to provide a reconciliation of PV-10 to Standardized Measure because the discounted future income taxes associated with our reserves is not yet calculable. We expect to report, however, that our PV-10 will be equal to our Standardized Measure as of December 31, 2016 due to the absence of projected income tax expense estimated in future net cash flows.

The Company’s 2016 year-end total proved reserves estimates were prepared by Wright & Company, Inc.

Forward Looking Statements

In this press release, Gastar provides estimated year-end 2016 proved reserves information, a well results update and its preliminary capital plan for 2017. Gastar has prepared the summary preliminary data in this release based on the most current information available to management. Gastar’s normal closing and financial reporting processes with respect to the preliminary data herein have not been fully completed and, as a result, its actual results could be different from this summary preliminary information presented herein, and any such differences could be material.

This news release also includes “forward looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward looking statements give our current expectations, opinion, belief or forecasts of future events and performance. A statement identified by the use of forward looking words including “may,” “expects,” “projects,” “anticipates,” “plans,” “believes,” “estimate,” “will,” “should,” and certain of the other foregoing statements may be deemed forward-looking statements. Although Gastar believes that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, these statements involve risks and uncertainties that may cause actual future activities and results to be materially different from those suggested or described in this news release. These include risks inherent in oil and natural gas drilling and production activities, including risks with respect to

continued low or further declining prices for oil and natural gas that could result in further downward revisions to the value of proved reserves or otherwise cause Gostar to further delay or suspend planned drilling and completion operations or reduce production levels, which would adversely impact cash flow; risks relating to the availability of capital to fund drilling operations that can be adversely affected by adverse drilling results, production declines and continued low or further declining prices for oil and natural gas; risks regarding Gostar's ability to meet financial covenants under its indenture or credit agreements or the ability to obtain amendments or waivers to effect such compliance; risks of fire, explosion, blowouts, pipe failure, casing collapse, unusual or unexpected formation pressures, environmental hazards, and other operating and production risks, which may temporarily or permanently reduce production or cause initial production or test results to not be indicative of future well performance or delay the timing of sales or completion of drilling operations; delays in receipt of drilling permits; risks relating to unexpected adverse developments in the status of properties; borrowing base redeterminations by Gostar's banks; risks relating to the absence or delay in receipt of government approvals or third-party consents; risks relating to Gostar's ability to realize the anticipated benefits from acquired assets; risks related to the completion of any refinancing; and other risks described in Gostar's Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and other filings with the SEC, available at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Gostar's actual sales production rates can vary considerably from tested initial production rates depending upon completion and production techniques and its primary areas of operations are subject to natural steep decline rates. By issuing forward looking statements based on current expectations, opinions, views or beliefs, Gostar has no obligation and, except as required by law, is not undertaking any obligation, to update or revise these statements or provide any other information relating to such statements.

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