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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

DATE OF REPORT (DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED) December 8, 2015

EXPEDIA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-37429 (Commission

20-2705720 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)
333 108th Avenue NE

Identification No.)

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Bellevue, Washington 98004

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(425) 679-7200

Registrant s telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable

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

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

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

Issuance of Notes

On December 8, 2015, Expedia, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the <u>Company</u>), completed its previously announced private placement of \$750 million aggregate principal amount of 5.000% senior unsecured notes due February 2026 (the <u>Notes</u>). The Notes were issued pursuant to an indenture dated as of December 8, 2015 (the <u>Indenture</u>), by and among the Company, the subsidiary guarantors party thereto and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee. The Notes will be offered and sold only to qualified institutional buyers in the United States pursuant to Rule 144A and outside the United States pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the <u>Securities Act</u>). The Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state laws.

The net proceeds from the sale of the Notes, after deducting estimated discounts and commissions and other offering expenses, were approximately \$740 million. The Company intends to use the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes to fund a portion of the cash consideration payable in connection with the Company s proposed acquisition of HomeAway, Inc., a Delaware corporation (HomeAway) and/or refinance existing HomeAway indebtedness and for other general corporate purposes, including, without limitation, to fund other potential future acquisitions by the Company or any of its subsidiaries. General corporate purposes may also include, without limitation, dividends, stock repurchases, repayment of debt, investments, additions to working capital, capital expenditures and advances to or investments in the Company s subsidiaries.

The Notes are the Company s senior unsecured obligations and will rank equally in right of payment with all of the Company s existing and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations. The Notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the subsidiary guarantors, which include each domestic subsidiary of the Company that is a borrower under or guarantees the obligations under the Company s existing credit agreement. So long as the guarantees are in effect, each subsidiary guarantor s guarantee will be the senior unsecured obligation of such subsidiary guarantor and will rank equally in right of payment with all of such subsidiary guarantor s existing and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations. The Notes pay interest semiannually in arrears on February 15 and August 15 of each year, beginning on August 15, 2016, at a rate of 5.000% per year. The Notes will mature on February 15, 2026.

The Company may redeem some or all of the Notes at any time prior to November 15, 2025 by paying a make-whole premium plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any. The Company may redeem some or all of the Notes on or after November 15, 2025 at par plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

The Company is obligated to offer to repurchase the Notes at a price of 101% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, upon the occurrence of certain change of control triggering events, subject to certain qualifications and exceptions.

The Indenture contains certain customary covenants (including covenants limiting the Company s and the Company s subsidiaries ability to create certain liens, enter into sale and lease-back transactions, and consolidate or merge with, or convey, transfer or lease all or substantially all assets to,

another person) and events of default (subject in certain cases to customary exceptions, as well as grace and cure periods). The occurrence of an event of default under the Indenture could result in the acceleration of the Notes and could cause a cross-default that could result in the acceleration of other indebtedness of the Company and its subsidiaries.

The foregoing summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Indenture, which is filed as Exhibit 4.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Registration Rights Agreement

On December 8, 2015, the Company and the guarantors of the Notes entered into a registration rights agreement (the <u>Registration Rights Agreement</u>) with Goldman, Sachs & Co., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as representatives of the several initial purchasers of the Notes. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the Registration Rights Agreement, the Company agreed to use commercially reasonable best efforts to (i) file an exchange offer registration statement with respect to an offer to exchange the Notes and guarantees for substantially identical Notes and guarantees that are registered under the Securities Act (the <u>Exchange Offer</u>); (ii) cause the Exchange Offer registration statement to become effective; and (iii) consummate the Exchange Offer or, if required in lieu thereof, file a shelf registration statement and have it declared effective, in each case, within 365 days of issuance of the Notes. If the Company fails to satisfy certain of its obligations under the Registration Rights Agreement (a <u>Registration Default</u>), it will be required to pay additional interest of 0.25% per annum to the holders of the Notes until such Registration Default is cured.

The foregoing summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Registration Rights Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 4.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Other Important Information

This communication is for informational purposes only and is neither an offer to purchase nor a solicitation of an offer to sell shares, nor is it a substitute for the registration statement and the exchange offer materials that Expedia and its acquisition subsidiary have filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (_SEC). THE EXCHANGE OFFER MATERIALS (INCLUDING AN OFFER TO EXCHANGE, A RELATED LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL AND CERTAIN OTHER EXCHANGE OFFER DOCUMENTS) AND THE SOLICITATION/RECOMMENDATION STATEMENT ON SCHEDULE 14D-9 FILED BY HOMEAWAY CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. HOMEAWAY STOCKHOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THESE DOCUMENTS (AS THEY MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME) CAREFULLY BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT HOLDERS OF HOMEAWAY SECURITIES SHOULD CONSIDER BEFORE MAKING ANY DECISION REGARDING EXCHANGING THEIR SECURITIES. The Offer to Exchange, the related Letter of Transmittal and certain other exchange offer documents, as well as the Solicitation/Recommendation Statement, are available to all holders of HomeAway common stock at no expense to them. The exchange offer materials and the Solicitation/Recommendation Statement are available for free at the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. Additional copies may be obtained for free by contacting Expedia s Investor Relations department at (425) 679-3759 or D.F. King & Co., Inc., the information agent for the exchange offer, at (800) 622-1573.

In addition to the Offer to Exchange, the related Letter of Transmittal and certain other exchange offer documents, as well as the Solicitation/Recommendation Statement, Expedia and HomeAway file annual, quarterly and current reports and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any reports or other information filed by Expedia and HomeAway at the SEC public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room. Expedia and HomeAway s filings with the SEC are also available to the public from commercial document-retrieval services and at the website maintained by the SEC at http://www.sec.gov.

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

The information in Item 1.01 above is incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
4.1	Indenture, dated as of December 8, 2015, among Expedia, Inc., the guarantors party thereto and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A.
4.2	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of December 8, 2015, among Expedia, Inc., the guarantors party thereto and Goldman, Sachs & Co., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated.

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.

EXPEDIA, INC.

By: /s/ Robert J. Dzielak Robert J. Dzielak

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Dated: December 8, 2015.

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