FOREST CITY ENTERPRISES INC

Form 8-K

February 27, 2015

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): February 26, 2015

Forest City Enterprises, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio 1-4372 34-0863886

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Terminal Tower, 50 Public Square

Suite 1100, Cleveland, Ohio

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 216-621-6060

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o 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.

Exchange of 4.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2018 and 3.625% Convertible Senior Notes due 2020 for Class A Common Stock.

On February 26, 2015, Forest City Enterprises, Inc. (the "Company"), entered into separate, privately negotiated exchange agreements (the "Exchange Agreements") under which it will exchange \$120,087,000 in aggregate principal amount of the Company's outstanding 4.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2018 (the "2018 Notes") and \$128,238,000 in aggregate principal amount of the Company's outstanding 3.625% Convertible Senior Notes due 2020 (the "2020 Notes" and collectively with the 2018 Notes, the "Notes"). Under the Exchange Agreements, on March 4, 2015 (the "Initial Closing Date"), holders of the 2018 Notes and 2020 Notes will receive 46.1425 and 41.3129 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.33-1/3 per share (the "Class A Common Stock") per \$1,000 principal amount of Notes exchanged, respectively. The number of shares of Class A Common Stock to be issued in exchange for the Notes equals the number of shares into which the Notes would currently be convertible. The Company will issue the Class A Common Stock in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended ("Securities Act").

In addition, pursuant to the Exchange Agreements, on March 31, 2015 (the "Second Closing Date), the holders of the 2018 Notes and 2020 Notes will receive a cash payment for accrued and unpaid interest through the Initial Closing Date plus an amount in consideration for additional interest that would have otherwise been payable under the terms of the Notes through maturity. Based in part on a daily VWAP during a 20-trading day measurement period beginning on February 27, 2015, the total cash payment is expected to be within the range of \$55.68 to \$149.89 and \$105.00 to \$178.80 per \$1,000 principal amount of the 2018 Notes and 2020 Notes, respectively.

Copies of the basic forms of the Exchange Agreements for the Notes are attached hereto as Exhibits 10.1 and 10.2 and incorporated herein by reference.

A copy of the press release announcing the Company's exchange of the Notes for Class A Common Stock is "furnished" as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. The information in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.

Item 3.02. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.

The information required by Item 3.02 is contained in Item 1.01 of this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

Form of Exchange Agreement for the 4.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2018
Form of Exchange Agreement for the 3.625% Convertible Senior Notes due 2020

Press release dated February 27, 2015 announcing the Company's exchange of Convertible Senior

Notes for Class A Common Stock

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.

FOREST CITY ENTERPRISES, INC.

Date: February 27, 2015 By: /s/ ROBERT G. O'BRIEN

Name: Robert G. O'Brien

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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