

Element Solutions Inc  
Form SC 13D/A  
February 05, 2019

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 13D**

**(Rule 13d-101)**

**INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT**

**TO § 240.13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED**

**PURSUANT TO § 240.13d-2(a)**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**(Amendment No. 5)\***

**Element Solutions Inc**

**(Name of Issuer)**

**Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share**

**(Title of Class of Securities)**

**28618M106**

**(CUSIP Number)**

**Steve Milankov**

**Pershing Square Capital Management, L.P.**

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**February 3, 2019**

**(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)**

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §§240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box.

**Note:** Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. See

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The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ( Act ) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

CUSIP No. 28618M106

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

Pershing Square Capital Management, L.P.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

(a) (b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

OO (See Item 3)

5 CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

NUMBER OF 7 SOLE VOTING POWER

SHARES

BENEFICIALLY 8 NONE  
OWNED BY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER

EACH

REPORTING 9 0  
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

PERSON

WITH 10 NONE  
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

0

12 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

0%\*

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

IA

\* This calculation is based on 288,329,766 shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share ( Common Stock ), outstanding as of October 26, 2018, as reported in the Issuer's Form 10-Q filed for the quarter ended September 30, 2018.

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

PS Management GP, LLC

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

(a) (b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

NUMBER OF 7 SOLE VOTING POWER

SHARES

BENEFICIALLY 8 NONE  
OWNED BY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER

EACH

REPORTING 9 0  
PERSON 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

PERSON

WITH

10 NONE  
10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

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0

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0%\*

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

OO

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

William A. Ackman

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

(a) (b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

OO (See Item 3)

5 CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

NUMBER OF 7 SOLE VOTING POWER

SHARES

BENEFICIALLY 8 NONE  
OWNED BY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER

EACH

REPORTING 9 0  
PERSON 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

PERSON

WITH 10 NONE  
10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER



0

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

0

12 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

0%\*

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

IN

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## **Item 1. Security and Issuer**

This amendment No. 5 to Schedule 13D ( Amendment No. 5 ) relates to the Schedule 13D filed on October 7, 2014, as amended prior to the date of this amendment (as so amended, the Original Schedule 13D ), by (i) Pershing Square Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ( Pershing Square ), (ii) PS Management GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ( PS Management ), and (iii) William A. Ackman, a citizen of the United States of America (together with Pershing Square and PS Management, the Reporting Persons ), relating to the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the Common Stock ), of Element Solutions Inc (f/k/a Platform Specialty Products Corporation), a Delaware corporation (the Issuer ). Capitalized terms used but not defined in this amendment shall have the meanings set forth in the Original Schedule 13D.

## **Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.**

Item 4 of the Original Schedule 13D is hereby amended to add the following information:

On February 4, 2019, Ryan Israel, who was previously elected to the board of directors of the Issuer as a representative of the Reporting Persons, the Pershing Square Funds and Pershing Square GP, LLC, resigned from the Board, effective immediately.

The information contained in Item 5 and Item 6 of this Amendment No. 5 is incorporated by reference herein.

## **Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.**

The first paragraph of Items 5(a),(b) of the Original Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated to read in full as follows:

As a result of the sale transactions described in Item 5(c), the Reporting Persons no longer beneficially own any shares of Common Stock.

(c) Item 5(c) of the Original Schedule 13D is hereby amended to add the following information:

Exhibit 99.6 filed with this Amendment, which is incorporated by reference into this Item 5(c) as if restated in full herein, describes all of the transactions in shares of Common Stock that were effected in the past 60 days by the Reporting Persons for the benefit of the Pershing Square Funds. Except as set forth in Exhibit 99.6, within the last 60 days, no reportable transactions were effected by any Reporting Person.

(e) The Reporting Persons ceased to be beneficial owners of more than five percent of the shares of Common Stock on February 3, 2019.

## **Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.**

Item 6 of the Original Schedule 13D is hereby amended to add the following information:

On February 3, 2019, Pershing Square entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement (the Securities Purchase Agreement ) with the Issuer, pursuant to which Pershing Square, on behalf of the Pershing Square Funds, agreed to sell to the Issuer 37,000,000 shares of Common Stock in the aggregate, for a purchase price of \$11.72 per share, representing an aggregate purchase price of \$433,640,000. The foregoing summary of the Securities Purchase Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the terms of the Securities Purchase Agreement, a copy of which is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.7 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits**

Item 7 of the Original Schedule 13D is hereby amended to add the following information:

- Exhibit 99.6     Trading data.
- Exhibit 99.7     Securities Purchase Agreement, dated February 3, 2019, between Pershing Square and the Issuer.

**SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of each of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 5, 2019

**PERSHING SQUARE CAPITAL  
MANAGEMENT, L.P.**

By: PS Management GP, LLC, its General  
Partner

By: /s/ William A. Ackman  
William A. Ackman  
Managing Member

**PS MANAGEMENT GP, LLC**

By: /s/ William A. Ackman  
William A. Ackman  
Managing Member

/s/ William A. Ackman  
William A. Ackman

**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description of Exhibits</b>
Exhibit 99.1	Joint Filing Agreement, dated as of October 7, 2014, among Pershing Square, PS Management and William A. Ackman.*
Exhibit 99.2	Trading data.*
Exhibit 99.3	Agreement relating to registration rights, dated November 7, 2013 and countersigned November 9, 2013, between Pershing Square on behalf of the Pershing Square Funds and the Issuer.*
Exhibit 99.4	Subscription Agreement, dated October 3, 2014, between Pershing Square on behalf of the Pershing Square Funds and the Issuer.*
Exhibit 99.5	Trading data.*
Exhibit 99.6	Trading data.
Exhibit 99.7	Securities Purchase Agreement, dated February 3, 2019, between Pershing Square and the Issuer.

\* Previously Filed