

Hennessy Capital Acquisition Corp II
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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 22, 2016

HENNESSY CAPITAL ACQUISITION CORP. II

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-37509

(Commission File Number)

47-3913221

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

700 Louisiana Street, Suite 900

Houston, Texas

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

77002

(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: **(713) 300-8242**

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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

Attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K (this “Report”) and incorporated into this Item 7.01 by reference is a copy of the press release issued December 22, 2016 announcing the proposed acquisition by Hennessy Capital Acquisition Corp. II (the “Company”) of all of the outstanding capital stock of Daseke, Inc. (“Daseke”), through the merger of HCAC Merger Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, with and into Daseke, with Daseke surviving such merger as a direct wholly owned subsidiary of the Company (the “Business Combination”) pursuant to the terms of that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of December 22, 2016, by and among Daseke, the Company, HCAC Merger Sub, Inc. and Don R. Daseke, solely in his capacity as the Stockholder Representative (the “Merger Agreement”).

Attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Report and incorporated into this Item 7.01 by reference is the investor presentation dated December 2016 (the “Investor Presentation”) that will be used by the Company in making presentations to certain existing and potential stockholders of the Company with respect to the Business Combination.

The Company and Daseke management will hold a joint conference call on December 23, 2016 at 7:30 a.m. (Central Time) to discuss the Business Combination and the Investor Presentation. Interested investors may participate in the call by dialing (844) 358-9181 and refer to audience passcode 44991725. To access the replay, please dial (855) 859-2056 and reference audience passcode 44991725.

Interested investors and other parties may also listen to a simultaneous webcast of the conference call by logging on to the Company’s website at www.hennessycapllc.com/hcac-ii/, where the Investor Presentation has also been posted. The online replay will remain available for a limited time beginning immediately after the conclusion of the call. The information contained in, or that can be accessed through the Company’s website, is not a part of this Report.

The foregoing (including Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2) is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise be subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

Additional Information About the Business Combination and Disclaimer

The proposed Business Combination will be submitted to stockholders of the Company for their consideration. The Company intends to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) preliminary and definitive proxy statements in connection with the Business Combination and other matters and will mail a definitive proxy statement and other relevant documents to its stockholders as of the record date established for voting on the Business Combination. The Company’s stockholders and other interested persons are advised to read, once available, the preliminary proxy statement and any amendments thereto and, once available, the definitive proxy statement, in connection with the Company’s solicitation of proxies for its stockholders’ meeting to be held to approve, among other things, the Business Combination because these documents will contain important information about the Company, Daseke and the Business Combination. Stockholders may also obtain a copy of the proxy statement, once available, as well as other documents filed with the SEC that will be incorporated by reference in the proxy statement, without charge, at the SEC’s website located at www.sec.gov or by directing a request to Nicholas A. Petruska, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary, 700 Louisiana Street, Suite 900, Houston, Texas, 77002 or by telephone at (713) 300-8242. This Report does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any

securities, or a solicitation of any vote or approval, nor shall there be any sale of securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

Participants in the Solicitation

The Company and its directors and executive officers and other persons may be deemed to be participants in the solicitations of proxies from the Company's stockholders in respect of the proposed Business Combination. Information regarding the Company's directors and executive officers is available under the heading "Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance" in the Company's definitive proxy statement for its 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders dated November 22, 2016 filed with the SEC on November 22, 2016. Additional information regarding the participants in the proxy solicitation and a description of their direct and indirect interests will be contained in the proxy statement when it becomes available and which can be obtained free of charge from the sources indicated above.

Forward Looking Statements

This Report includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of words such as "estimate," "plan," "project," "forecast," "intend," "expect," "anticipate," "believe," "seek," "target" or similar expressions or similar expressions that predict or indicate future events or trends or that are not statements of historical matters. Such forward-looking statements with respect to the benefits of the Business Combination, the future financial performance of the Company following the Business Combination, changes in the market for Daseke's services, and expansion plans and opportunities, including future acquisition or additional business combinations are based on current information and expectations, forecasts and assumptions, and involve a number of judgments, risks and uncertainties. Accordingly, forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing the Company's views as of any subsequent date, and the Company does not undertake any obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date they were made, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as may be required under applicable securities laws. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. As a result of a number of known and unknown risks and uncertainties, actual results or performance may be materially different from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. Some factors that could cause actual results to differ include, but are not limited to: (1) the occurrence of any event, change or other circumstances that could give rise to the termination of the Merger Agreement; (2) the outcome of any legal proceedings that may be instituted against Daseke or the Company following announcement of the proposed Business Combination and related transactions; (3) the inability to complete the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement due to the failure to obtain approval of the stockholders of the Company, consummate the anticipated debt financing or satisfy other conditions to the closing of the Business Combination (4) the ability to obtain or maintain the listing of the Company's common stock on the NASDAQ Capital Market following the Business Combination; (5) the risk that the proposed Business Combination disrupts the parties' current plans and operations as a result of the announcement and consummation of the transactions described herein; (6) the ability to recognize the anticipated benefits of the Business Combination, which may be affected by, among other things, competition and the ability of the combined business to grow and manage growth profitably; (7) costs related to the Business Combination; (8) changes in applicable laws or regulations; (9) the possibility that Daseke or the Company may be adversely affected by other economic, business, and/or competitive factors; and (10) other risks and uncertainties indicated from time to time in the proxy statement to be filed by the Company in connection with the Business Combination, including those under "Risk Factors" therein, and other factors identified in the Company's prior and future filings with the SEC, available at www.sec.gov.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

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99.1 Press Release issued December 22, 2016.

99.2 Investor Presentation dated December 2016.

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.

Dated: December 22, 2016 HENNESSY CAPITAL
ACQUISITION CORP. II

By: /s/ Daniel J. Hennessy
Name: Daniel J. Hennessy
Title: Chief Executive Officer

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