

SeaWorld Entertainment, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
March 19, 2019

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): March 14, 2019

SeaWorld Entertainment, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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| Delaware  | 001-35883                   | 27-1220297                           |
| (State or Other Jurisdiction<br>of Incorporation) | (Commission<br>File Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |

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| 9205 South Park Center Loop, Suite 400   |       |
| Orlando, Florida                         | 32819 |
| (Address of Principal Executive Offices) |       |

(Zip Code)

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Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (407) 226-5011

Not Applicable

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) On March 14, 2019, John T. Reilly, Chief Operating Officer of SeaWorld Entertainment, Inc. (“SeaWorld” or the “Company”), informed the Company of his intention to resign from such position with the Company and from any office at any affiliated entity of SeaWorld, effective March 31, 2019.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 19, 2019, the Company issued a press release to announce the departure of Mr. Reilly. The full text of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

The information set forth under this Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed to be “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 it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing made by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 18, 2019, Kathleen Liever, the Company’s Senior Vice President of Human Resources, informed the Company of her intention to resign from such position, effective March 31, 2019.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Description                               |
|-------------|---|
| 99.1        | <u>Press Release dated March 19, 2019</u> |

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.

SEAWORLD ENTERTAINMENT, INC.

Date: March 19, 2019 By: /s/ G. Anthony (Tony) Taylor  
Name: G. Anthony (Tony) Taylor  
Title: Chief Legal Officer, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary