
**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 20, 2019**

ANTERO MIDSTREAM PARTNERS LP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-36719
(Commission File Number)

46-4109058
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

1615 Wynkoop Street
Denver, Colorado 80202
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, including area code **(303) 357-7310**

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:

- 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 8.01 Other Events.

On February 20, 2019, Antero Midstream Partners LP (the “Partnership”) issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference, announcing that it and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Antero Midstream Finance Corporation, intend to commence a private offering (the “Offering”) of senior notes due 2027 (the “2027 Notes”).

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which the offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to the registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. The notes will not initially be registered under the Securities Act of 1933 or any state securities law and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration under the Securities Act of 1933 and applicable state securities laws.

In connection with the previously announced simplification transaction (the “Transaction”) between the Partnership and Antero Midstream GP LP (“AMGP”), AMGP has informed the Partnership that it intends for the combined entity, which will be renamed Antero Midstream Corporation (“New AM”) following the closing of the Transaction, to guarantee each series of the Partnership’s then-outstanding notes, including the 2027 Notes; however, there can be no assurance that New AM will provide such guarantee. This Offering is not conditioned upon the closing of the Transaction, and the Transaction is not conditioned upon the closing of this Offering.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Current Report includes “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of federal securities laws. Such forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond Antero Midstream’s control. All statements, other than historical facts included in this Current Report, are forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this Current Report and are based upon a number of assumptions. Although Antero Midstream believes that the plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by the forward-looking statements are reasonable, there is no assurance that the assumptions underlying these forward-looking statements will be accurate or the plans, intentions or expectations expressed herein will be achieved. Therefore, actual outcomes and results could materially differ from what is expressed, implied or forecast in such statements.

Antero Midstream cautions you that these forward-looking statements are subject to all of the risks and uncertainties, most of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond Antero Midstream’s control, incident to the gathering and processing and fresh water and waste water treatment businesses. These risks include, but are not limited to, the expected timing and likelihood of completion of the proposed simplification transaction, including the ability to obtain requisite unitholder and shareholder approval and the satisfaction of the other conditions to the consummation of the proposed transaction, risks that the proposed transaction may not be consummated or the benefits contemplated therefrom may not be realized, the cost savings, tax benefits and any other synergies from the transaction may not be fully realized or may take longer to realize than expected, Antero Resources Corporation’s expected future growth, Antero Resources Corporation’s ability to meet its drilling and development plan, commodity price volatility, ability to execute the Partnership’s business strategy, competition and government regulations, actions taken by third-party producers, operators, processors and transporters, inflation, environmental risks, drilling and completion and other operating risks, regulatory changes, the uncertainty inherent in projecting future rates of production, cash flow and access to capital, the timing of development expenditures, and the other risks described under “Risk Factors” in Antero Midstream’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018.

NO OFFER OR SOLICITATION

This Current Report includes a discussion of the Transaction. This communication is for informational purposes only and 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, in any jurisdiction, pursuant to the Transaction or otherwise, nor shall there be any sale, issuance, exchange or transfer of the securities referred to in this document in any jurisdiction in contravention of applicable law. No offer of securities shall be made except by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

In connection with the Transaction, AMGP has filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) a registration statement on Form S-4, that includes a joint proxy statement of Antero Midstream and AMGP and a prospectus of AMGP. The transaction will be submitted to Antero Midstream’s unitholders and AMGP’s shareholders for their consideration. Antero Midstream and AMGP may also file other documents with the SEC regarding the transaction. The registration statement on Form S-4 became effective on January 30, 2019, and the definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus was delivered to Antero Midstream unitholders and AMGP shareholders of record as of January 11, 2019. This document is not a substitute for the registration statement and joint proxy statement/prospectus that has been filed with the SEC or any other documents that AMGP or Antero Midstream may file with the SEC or send to shareholders of AMGP or unitholders of Antero Midstream in connection with the transaction. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS OF ANTERO MIDSTREAM AND AMGP ARE URGED TO READ THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT AND THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS REGARDING THE TRANSACTION AND ALL OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS THAT ARE FILED OR WILL BE FILED WITH THE SEC, AS WELL AS ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS TO THESE DOCUMENTS, CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE TRANSACTION AND RELATED MATTERS.

Investors and security holders are able to obtain free copies of the registration statement and the joint proxy statement/prospectus and all other documents filed or that will be filed with the SEC by AMGP or Antero Midstream through the website maintained by the SEC at <http://www.sec.gov>. Copies of documents filed with the SEC by Antero Midstream will be made available free of charge on Antero Midstream’s website at <http://investors.anteromidstream.com/investor-relations/AM>, under the heading “SEC Filings,” or by directing a request to Investor Relations, Antero Midstream Partners LP, 1615 Wynkoop Street, Denver, Colorado 80202, Tel. No. (303) 357-7310. Copies of documents filed with the SEC by AMGP will be made available free of charge on AMGP’s website at <http://investors.anteromidstreamgp.com/Investor-Relations/AMGP> or by directing a request to Investor Relations, Antero Midstream GP LP, 1615 Wynkoop Street, Denver, Colorado 80202, Tel. No. (303) 357-7310.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>EXHIBIT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
99.1	Antero Midstream Partners LP press release dated February 20, 2019.

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.

ANTERO MIDSTREAM PARTNERS LP

By: Antero Midstream Partners GP LLC,
its general partner

By: /s/ Glen C. Warren, Jr.
Glen C. Warren, Jr.
President and Secretary

Dated: February 20, 2019



Antero Midstream Announces Launch of \$600 Million Offering of Senior Notes

Denver, Colorado, February 20, 2019—**Antero Midstream Partners LP (NYSE: AM)** (“Antero Midstream” or the “Partnership”) announced today that, subject to market conditions, it intends to offer \$600 million in aggregate principal amount of senior unsecured notes due 2027 (the “Notes”) in a private placement to eligible purchasers.

Antero Midstream intends to use the net proceeds of the offering to repay a portion of the outstanding borrowings under its credit facility. The securities to be offered have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933 as amended, (the “Securities Act”), or any state securities laws; and unless so registered, the securities may not be offered or sold in the United States except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. The notes are expected to be eligible for trading by qualified institutional buyers under Rule 144A and outside the United States pursuant to Regulation S.

This press release is being issued pursuant to Rule 135c under the Securities Act, and is neither an offer to sell nor a solicitation of an offer to buy the notes or any other securities and shall not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy, or a sale of, the notes or any other securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale is unlawful.

Antero Midstream is a limited partnership that owns, operates and develops midstream gathering, compression, processing and fractionation assets as well as integrated water assets that primarily service Antero Resources Corporation’s properties located in West Virginia and Ohio.

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