

PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC  
Form 8-K  
October 21, 2011

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**  
**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report **October 20, 2011**

(Date of earliest event reported)

**PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Pennsylvania**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**0-24206**  
(Commission File Number)

**23-2234473**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**825 Berkshire Blvd., Suite 200, Wyomissing, PA**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**19610**  
(Zip Code)

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(610) 373-2400

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 to Form 8-K):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  
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  - 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))
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**Item 2.02**      **Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On October 20, 2011, Penn National Gaming, Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three months ended September 30, 2011. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

In addition to the information contained in the press release, in response to a question posed during the question and answer session of the Company s earnings conference call, the Company s Chief Financial Officer, William J. Clifford, provided his assessment of the 2012 full year EBITDA analyst projections and provided a general outlook for 2013. A webcast replay of the earnings call is available on the Company s website at [www.pngaming.com](http://www.pngaming.com) and will remain accessible for at least thirty days.

The information in Item 2.02 of this Form 8-K and Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

**Item 9.01**      **Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d)      *Exhibits.*

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press release, dated October 20, 2011, issued by Penn National Gaming, Inc. announcing its financial results for the three months ended September 30, 2011.

**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, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: October 21, 2011

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC.

By:

/s/ Robert S. Ippolito  
Robert S. Ippolito  
Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer

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