

AVON PRODUCTS INC
Form 8-K
January 08, 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): January 8, 2019

Avon
Products,
Inc.
(Exact
name of
registrant
as
specified
in
charter)

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| New York | 1-4881 | 13-0544597 |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

Building 6, Chiswick Park
London W4 5HR
United Kingdom
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
+44-1604-232425
(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:

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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.

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On January 8, 2019, Avon Products, Inc. (the “Company”), through its affiliates Avon Asia Holdings Company and Avon Products (China) Co., Ltd (the “Affiliates”) entered into an Equity Purchase Agreement (the “Agreement”) with TheFaceShop Co., Ltd., an affiliate of LG Household & Health Care Ltd. (the “Purchaser”) whereby the Purchaser will acquire all of the equity interests in Avon Manufacturing (Guangzhou), Ltd. (the “Acquired Entity”) for a total purchase price of \$71 million. The purchase price includes approximately \$22.5 million in cash for the required repayment by the Company of certain outstanding intercompany loans and approximately an additional \$4.5 million for cash in the operation, for a net purchase price of approximately \$44 million. In accordance with the Agreement, a subsidiary of the Company will grant to the Acquired Entity a limited purpose license to maintain and use the current name of the Acquired Entity. The Agreement contains the usual and customary provisions for escrow, covenants, representations, warranties, conditions precedent and indemnification obligations. The closing is expected to take place during the first quarter of 2019 and is subject to customary local regulatory approvals. In accordance with the Agreement, a subsidiary of the Company also entered into a Manufacturing and Supply Agreement with the Acquired Entity, under which the Acquired Entity will continue to manufacture products for Avon’s China business and other Avon markets.

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.

AVON PRODUCTS, INC.
(Registrant)

By/s/ Ginny Edwards
Name: Ginny Edwards
Title: Vice President and Corporate Secretary

Date: January 8, 2019