Rockwood Holdings, Inc. Form 425 September 10, 2014

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): September 10, 2014

ALBEMARLE CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Virginia (State or Other Jurisdiction **001-12658** (Commission

54-1692118 (I.R.S. Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

Identification Number)

451 Florida Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70801

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

Registrant s Telephone Number, including Area Code: (225) 388-8011

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 8.01. Other Events.

On September 10, 2014, Albemarle Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing the expiration of the waiting period for U.S. antitrust review under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 in connection with the Company s previously announced acquisition of Rockwood Holdings, Inc.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- d) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Press release dated September 10, 2014.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: September 10, 2014

ALBEMARLE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Karen G. Narwold Karen G. Narwold

Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Corporate & Government Affairs, and Corporate Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

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99.1 Press release dated September 10, 2014.