TORCHLIGHT ENERGY RESOURCES INC

Form 8-K October 18, 2018

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): October 17, 2018

Torchlight Energy Resources, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada 001-36247 74-3237581

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

5700 W. Plano Parkway, Suite 3600 Plano, Texas 75093

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On October 17, 2018, we sold to certain investors in a private transaction 16% Series C Unsecured Convertible Promissory Notes with a total principal amount of \$6,000,000. Interest and principal are due and payable on the notes in one balloon payment at maturity on April 17, 2020. The notes are convertible, at the election of the holders, into an aggregate 6% working interest in certain oil and gas leases in Hudspeth County, Texas, known as our "Orogrande Project." The notes allow us to redeem them early only upon the event of a fundamental transaction, such as a merger or sale of substantially all our assets. The notes provide that the noteholders may accelerate and declare any and all of the obligations under the notes to be immediately due and payable in the event of default, such as nonpayment, failure to perform required conversions, failure to perform any covenant or agreement under the notes, an insolvency event, or certain defaults or judgments.

As part of the sale of the notes, the noteholders required that McCabe Petroleum Corporation, a Texas corporation owned by our Chairman Gregory McCabe ("MPC"), provide them a put option whereby they have the right to have MPC purchase from them any unpaid principal amount due on the notes. Additionally, if there is a fundamental transaction, Mr. McCabe will be required to pay a fee to each noteholder that elects not to convert or require MPC to purchase the principal amount under the note, which fee will be equal to such noteholder's pro-rata share of a total fee amount of \$1,500,000.

We received total proceeds of \$6,000,000 from the sale of the notes, of which \$3,000,000 was used to pay back the promissory note issued to MPC on December 1, 2017, which note was due on December 31, 2020. We intend to use the remaining proceeds for working capital and general corporate purposes, which includes, without limitation, drilling and lease acquisition capital.

Prior to entering into the above transactions, our Board of Directors formed a special committee composed of independent directors to analyze and authorize the transactions on behalf of Torchlight Energy Resources, Inc. and determine whether the transactions are fair to the company. In this role, the special committee engaged an independent financial consulting firm which rendered a fairness opinion deeming that the transactions were fair to the company, from a financial point of view, and contained terms no less favorable to the company than those that could be obtained in arm's length transactions.

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

Reference is made to the disclosure set forth above under Item 1.01 of this current report, which disclosure is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

No. Exhibit

10.1 16% Series C Unsecured Convertible Promissory Note (form of)

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.

Torchlight Energy Resources, Inc.

Date: October 18, 2018 By: /s/ John A. Brda

John A. Brda President

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