OM GROUP INC Form 8-K January 22, 2013

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 21, 2013

OM GROUP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-12515 (Commission 52-1736882 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification Number)

127 Public Square

1500 Key Tower

Cleveland, Ohio
(Address of principal executive offices)

44114-1221 (Zip code)

(216) 781-0083

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filling 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))

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On January 21, 2013, OM Group, Inc. (OM Group) and certain of its affiliates, entered into a definitive Asset and Stock Purchase Agreement (the Purchase Agreement) with Freeport-McMoRan Corporation and Koboltti Chemical Holdings Limited to divest the cobalt-based business of its Advanced Materials segment for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$325 million in cash at closing, plus a potential earn-out payment over three years of up to \$110 million in cash.

The closing purchase price is subject to a customary working capital adjustment. The Purchase Agreement provides for customary representations, warranties, covenants and agreements, including, among others, that each party will use reasonable best efforts to complete the transactions expeditiously.

The closing of the transaction is expected to occur before the end of April 2013 subject to the expiration or termination of any waiting period under certain antitrust filings and the satisfaction or waiver of other customary closing conditions.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 21, 2013, OM Group issued a press release announcing the signing of the Purchase Agreement. A copy of this press release is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release of OM Group, Inc., dated January 21, 2013.

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.

OM Group, Inc.

By: /s/ Valerie Gentile Sachs

Valerie Gentile Sachs Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Date: January 21, 2013

EXHIBIT INDEX

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