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ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC Form 8-K February 27, 2017

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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): February 27, 2017

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction **000-26489** (Commission

48-1090909 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

3111 Camino Del Rio North, Suite 103, San Diego, California

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (877) 445-4581

(Zip Code)

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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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 February 27, 2017, Encore Capital Group, Inc. issued a press release announcing its intention to offer \$125,000,000 aggregate principal amount of convertible senior notes due 2022 in a private offering that is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press release dated February 27, 2017.

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.

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC.

Date: February 27, 2017

/s/ Jonathan C. Clark Jonathan C. Clark Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

EXHIBIT INDEX

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99.1 Press release dated February 27, 2017.