COVANTA HOLDING CORP Form 8-K May 18, 2009

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): May 18, 2009 COVANTA HOLDING CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware 1-6732 95-6021257

(State or Other Jurisdiction of (Commission (I.R.S. Employer Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

40 Lane Road Fairfield, New Jersey

07004

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(973) 882-9000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code) (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o 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 May 18, 2009, Covanta Holding Corporation issued a press release announcing that it intends to privately offer, subject to market and other conditions, \$300 million aggregate principal amount of cash convertible senior notes due 2014. Covanta also expects to grant the initial purchasers for the offering an option to purchase up to an additional \$45 million aggregate principal amount of notes, solely to cover over-allotments. The notes will be offered only to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired Not Applicable
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information Not Applicable
- (c) Shell Company Transactions Not Applicable
- (d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Exhibit

99.1 Press Release, dated May 18, 2009.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 18, 2009

COVANTA HOLDING CORPORATION

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Timothy J. Simpson

Name:

Timothy J. Simpson

Title: Executive Vice President, General

Counsel and Secretary

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