

BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC
Form 8-K
January 15, 2015

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 15, 2015

BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC.

(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

**DELAWARE
(STATE OR OTHER
JURISDICTION
OF INCORPORATION)**

**001-14905
(COMMISSION
FILE NUMBER)**

**47-0813844
(I.R.S. EMPLOYER
IDENTIFICATION NO.)**

**3555 Farnam Street
Omaha, Nebraska**

68131

(ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)

(ZIP CODE)

(402) 346-1400

REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE

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- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 January 15, 2015, Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation (BHFC) issued (i) \$400,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its Floating Rate Senior Notes due 2017 and (ii) \$600,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its Floating Rate Senior Notes due 2018 ((i) and (ii) collectively, the Notes) under a registration statement on Form S-3 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission) on January 28, 2013 (Registration No. 333-186257) (the Registration Statement). The Notes, which will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (Berkshire), were sold pursuant to an underwriting agreement entered into on January 13, 2015, by and between (a) BHFC and Berkshire and (b) Goldman, Sachs & Co., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC (collectively, the Underwriters).

The Notes are issued under an Indenture, dated as of February 1, 2010, by and among BHFC, as issuer, Berkshire, as guarantor, and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (the Indenture), and officers certificates dated as of January 15, 2015 by BHFC with respect to the Notes (the Officers Certificates).

The relevant terms of the Notes and the Indenture are further described under the caption Description of the Notes and Guarantees in the prospectus supplement, dated January 13, 2015, filed with the Commission by Berkshire on January 14, 2015, pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2) under the Securities Act, and in the section entitled Description of the Debt Securities in the base prospectus relating to debt securities of BHFC, dated January 28, 2013, included in the Registration Statement, which descriptions are incorporated herein by reference.

A copy of the Indenture is set forth in Exhibit 4.1 of Berkshire s registration statement on Form S-3 under the Securities Act filed with the Commission on February 1, 2010 (Registration No. 333-164611) and is incorporated herein by reference. Copies of the Officers Certificates (including the forms of the Notes) are attached hereto as Exhibits 4.2 and 4.3 and are incorporated herein by reference. The descriptions of the Indenture, the Officers Certificates and the Notes in this report are summaries and are qualified in their entirety by the terms of the Indenture, the Officers Certificates and the Notes, respectively.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

- 1.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated January 13, 2015, by and between (a) Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation and Berkshire Hathaway Inc. and (b) Goldman, Sachs & Co., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC.
- 4.1 Indenture, dated as of February 1, 2010, among Berkshire Hathaway Inc., Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of Berkshire s Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-164611) filed with the Commission on February 1, 2010).
- 4.2 Officers Certificate of Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation, dated as of January 15, 2015, including the form of Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation s Floating Rate Senior Notes due 2017.
- 4.3 Officers Certificate of Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation, dated as of January 15, 2015, including the form of Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation s Floating Rate Senior Notes due 2018.
- 5.1 Opinion of Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP, dated January 15, 2015.

23.1 Consent of Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).

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.

January 15, 2015

BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC.

/s/ Marc D. Hamburg

By: Marc D. Hamburg

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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