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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): August 12, 2013 (August 12, 2013)

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-15925 (Commission 13-3893191 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

of incorporation) File Number)

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4000 Meridian Boulevard

Franklin, Tennessee 37067

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (615) 465-7000

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 12, 2013 (the Closing Date), Community Health Systems, Inc. (the Company) and its wholly-owned subsidiary CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc. (the Borrower) and certain other subsidiaries entered into Amendment No. 3 (the Amendment), effective as of the Closing Date, of their existing credit agreement, dated as of July 25, 2007, as amended and restated as of November 5, 2010 and February 2, 2012 and as amended as of August 3, 2012 and November 27, 2012, among the Company, the Borrower, the lenders party thereto and Credit Suisse AG, as administrative agent and collateral agent (as amended, supplemented, amended and restated or otherwise modified, the Credit Agreement).

The Amendment provides for increased flexibility to incur debt by amending certain terms of the Credit Agreement, including the maximum leverage ratio and secured leverage ratio covenant levels. In addition, the Amendment includes pricing protection for certain extended term loans, which specifies an increased margin in certain instances. The Amendment also provides for a total leverage-based stepup to the applicable margin of the extended term loans and the non-extended term loans. The pricing of the loans under the Credit Agreement will otherwise remain unchanged.

The foregoing summary of the Amendment and the transactions contemplated thereby does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by, the full text of the Amendment, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 hereto and incorporated into this report by reference.

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

The disclosures under Item 1.01 of this report are also responsive to Item 2.03 of this report and are incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On August 12, 2013, the Company announced that it had obtained the requisite consents of the lenders to enter into the Amendment to its Credit Agreement. A copy of the press release making this announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following items are included as Exhibits to this report and incorporated herein by reference:

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99.1	Press release dated August 12, 2013

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.

Date: August 12, 2013

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ Wayne T. Smith

Wayne T. Smith

Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer

(principal executive officer)

By: /s/ W. Larry Cash

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Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Director

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