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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):

June 30, 2014

Commission Exact name of each Registrant as specified in its charter, state of I.R.S. Employer

File No. incorporation, address of principal executive offices, telephone number Identification Number TECO ENERGY, INC. 59-2052286 (a Florida corporation)

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Item 8.01 Other Events

As previously announced, on May 25, 2013 TECO Energy, Inc. (the Corporation) entered into an agreement to acquire all of the capital stock of New Mexico Gas Company, Inc. (NMGI), a wholly owned subsidiary of Continental Energy Systems LLC (CES). NMGI is the parent company of New Mexico Gas Company, Inc. (NMGC). The closing of the acquisition (the NMGC Acquisition) is subject to numerous closing conditions, including receipt of all required regulatory approvals, including approval from the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission (NMPRC). On July 9, 2013, the Corporation filed a joint application with NMGC and CES with the NMPRC for approval of the acquisition. On May 14, 2014, the Corporation reached a settlement agreement with the New Mexico Industrial Energy Consumers, which represents large customers of NMGC, and the New Mexico Attorney General s office, which represents New Mexico residential and small business customers, with regards to the NMGC Acquisition. Under the terms of the settlement, among other elements, NMGC will freeze customer rates until the end of 2017 and limit job reductions in the first three years after the NMGC Acquisition. The NMPRC staff did not oppose the settlement.

On June 30, 2014, the NMPRC hearing examiner issued a certification of stipulation recommending that the NMPRC approve the transaction and related matters. The NMPRC still must decide whether the settlement is in the public interest and whether to approve the NMGC Acquisition, which decision we expect in the third quarter of 2014.

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: June 30, 2014 TECO ENERGY, INC.

(Registrant)

By: /s/ David E. Schwartz
David E. Schwartz
Vice President-Governance, Associate General Counsel and Corporate Secretary