

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):
March 1, 2017 (March 1, 2017)

MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-34042
(Commission File
Number)

98-0570192
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

131 Front Street, Hamilton HM12, Bermuda

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(441) 298-4900
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- 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 March 1, 2017, Maiden Holdings, Ltd. issued a press release disclosing that it has delayed the filing of its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the information set forth in Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

A copy of the press release is hereby filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference herein as Exhibit 99.1.

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.

Date: March 1, 2017

MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD.

By: /s/ Lawrence F. Metz

Lawrence F. Metz

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and
Secretary

PRESS RELEASE

Maiden Holdings Announces Brief 10-K Filing Delay for Completion of Final Audit Procedures; No Material Weaknesses in Internal Controls Identified

HAMILTON, Bermuda, March 1, 2017 -- Maiden Holdings, Ltd. ("Maiden" or "the Company") (NASDAQ: MHLI) announced today that it has delayed the filing of its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016. The audit is substantially completed and is expected to be finalized shortly. The Company plans to file a Form 12b-25 with the Securities and Exchange Commission. This filing will give the Company an additional 15 day period in which to submit its Form 10-K and still be deemed a timely filer, but the Company anticipates filing its Form 10-K within a matter of days.

The independent auditor has not identified any material weaknesses in Maiden's internal controls and the Company does not expect to disclose any such weaknesses in its Form 10-K when filed, and further the Company does not anticipate any changes from the results reported in its earnings release published on February 27, 2017.

About Maiden Holdings, Ltd.

Maiden Holdings, Ltd. is a Bermuda-based holding company formed in 2007. Through its subsidiaries, which are each A rated (excellent) by A.M. Best, the Company is focused on providing non-catastrophic, customized reinsurance products and services to small and mid-size insurance companies in the United States and Europe. As of December 31, 2016, Maiden had \$6.3 billion in assets and shareholders' equity of \$1.4 billion.

Forward Looking Statements

This release contains "forward-looking statements" which are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The forward-looking statements are based on the Company's current expectations and beliefs concerning future developments and their potential effects on the Company. There can be no assurance that actual developments will be those anticipated by the Company. Actual results may differ materially from those projected as a result of significant risks and uncertainties, including non-receipt of the expected payments, changes in interest rates, effect of the performance of financial markets on investment income and fair values of investments, developments of claims and the effect on loss reserves, accuracy in projecting loss reserves, the impact of competition and pricing environments, changes in the demand for the Company's products, the effect of general economic conditions and unusual frequency of storm activity, adverse state and federal legislation, regulations and regulatory investigations into industry practices, developments relating to existing agreements, heightened competition, changes in pricing environments, and changes in asset valuations. Additional information about these risks and uncertainties, as well as others that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected is contained in Item 1A. Risk Factors in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 as updated in periodic filings with the SEC. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, except as may be required by law.

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