COWEN INC. Form 8-K November 20, 2018

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): November 20, 2018

COWEN INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 001-34516 27-0423711
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
599 Lexington Avenue
New York, NY 10022
(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 845-7900

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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company "

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act."

Item 8.01. Other Events

On November 20, 2018, Cowen Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that the Company and certain of its indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries (the "Buyers") had entered into a definitive purchase agreement, pursuant to which, and on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth therein, the Buyers will acquire 100% of the outstanding equity interests in Quarton Management AG, Quarton International Europe AG, Quarton Partners, LLC and Quarton Securities GP, LLC, comprising the U.S. and European operations of Quarton International. The acquired companies will operate as indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company. A copy of the Company's press release announcing the transaction is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release, dated November 20, 2018.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

COWEN INC.

Dated: November 20, 2018 By: /s/ Owen S. Littman

Name: Owen S. Littman Title: General Counsel

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99.1 Press Release, dated November 20, 2018.