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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): March 6, 2015
Commission File Number: 001-36261

CHC GROUP LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Cayman Islands
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)
190 Elgin Avenue
George Town, KY1-9005
Cayman Islands
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)
(604) 276-7500
Registrant's telephone number, including area code

98-0587405 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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:

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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 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

As previously disclosed, CHC Group Ltd. (or the Company) announced that, as of February 4, 2015 (or the Separation Date), William J. Amelio is no longer serving as President and Chief Executive Officer or member of the Board of Directors of the Company (or the Board).

In connection with Mr. Amelio's resignation, Mr. Amelio and the Company entered into a mutually agreed Separation Agreement and General Release (or the Separation Agreement). Pursuant to the Separation Agreement, Mr. Amelio will receive a separation payment of \$4,375,000 paid in installments over the twelve months following the Separation Date, subject to a clawback obligation. In addition, Mr. Amelio's unvested stock options vested, and his vested options will remain exercisable until the first anniversary of his Separation Date. In addition, his time-based restricted stock units, time-based restricted shares and his performance-based restricted stock units (at target levels) vested. All of his performance-based restricted shares were forfeited. The Company will provide Mr. Amelio with continued participation in its medical, dental and vision plans for 18 months after the Separation Date, subject to specified conditions. Also, the Company has agreed to reimburse Mr. Amelio for up to \$15,000 of attorneys' fees incurred in connection with the negotiation of the Separation Agreement. As a condition to his receiving the separation payments and benefits described above, Mr. Amelio has executed a release and waiver of claims in favor of the Company. Mr. Amelio will be subject to one-year post-employment covenants not to compete and not to solicit employees or clients of the Company. Both parties have agreed to a mutual non-disparagement covenant. Mr. Amelio's indemnification agreement with the Company will continue in effect in accordance with its terms.

The summary description of the Separation Agreement is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the complete text of the Separation Agreement, a copy of which will be filed as an exhibit to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ending April 30, 2015.

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SIGNATURE

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 12, 2015 /s/ Michael J. O'Neill Name: Michael J. O'Neill

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer