

MDC PARTNERS INC  
Form 8-K  
November 13, 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 13, 2018 (November 12, 2018)

**MDC PARTNERS INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Canada                          | 001-13718                | 98-0364441                        |
| (Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

745 Fifth Avenue, 19<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10151  
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(646) 429-1800  
(Registrant's Telephone Number)

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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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

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.**

*Antitrust Subpoena; Closure of Investigation*

In the Company's most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2018, the Company disclosed that one of the Company's subsidiary agencies received a subpoena from the U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division (the "DOJ") in 2016 concerning the DOJ's investigation of production bidding practices in the advertising industry. The Company fully cooperated with this investigation.

By letter dated November 5, 2018 (received by the Company's counsel on November 12, 2018), the DOJ confirmed that the foregoing investigation has been closed, and all documents produced by the Company and its subsidiary were returned to the Company. The DOJ did not bring any charges against the Company or its subsidiary.

**Signatures**

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

Date: November 13, 2018 MDC Partners Inc.

By: /s/ Mitchell Gendel  
Mitchell Gendel  
General Counsel & Corporate Secretary