

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY
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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On March 20, 2019, The E.W. Scripps Company, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Scripps Media, Inc. and Scripps Broadcasting Holdings, LLC, signed a definitive agreement with Nexstar Media Group, Inc. ("Nexstar") to acquire eight broadcast television stations from the Nexstar transaction with Tribune Media Company ("Tribune"). The purchase price for the transaction totals \$580 million. The transaction, pending regulatory and other approvals, is expected to close at the same time as the Nexstar-Tribune merger. A copy of the agreement is filed herewith as Exhibit 2.1.

Copies of the press release and investor presentation related to the acquisition are attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2, respectively.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

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| <u>2.1</u> | Asset Purchase Agreement by and among Nexstar Media Group, Inc., Scripps Media, Inc. and Scripps Broadcasting Holdings, LLC dated as of March 20, 2019 |
| <u>99.1</u> | Press release dated March 20, 2019 |
| <u>99.2</u> | Scripps Acquisitions in the Nexstar-Tribune Divestitures: Investor Presentation dated March 20, 2019 |

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.

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY

BY: /s/ Douglas F. Lyons
Douglas F. Lyons
Senior Vice President, Controller and Treasurer
(Principal Accounting Officer)

Dated: March 22, 2019