MARKEL CORP Form 8-K March 29, 2016

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 29, 2016

Markel Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia001-1581154-1959284(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4521 Highwoods Parkway

Glen Allen, Virginia 23060-6148

(804) 747-0136

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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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 8.01 Other Events.

On March 29, 2016, Markel Corporation issued a press release announcing the commencement of a tender offer for its 7.350% Senior Notes due 2034 and its 7.125% Senior Notes due 2019.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated into this Item 8.01 by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release issued March 29, 2016

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.

MARKEL CORPORATION

Date: March 29, 2016 By: /s/ Richard R. Grinnan

Name: Richard R. Grinnan

Title: General Counsel and Secretary

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Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release issued March 29, 2016