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): January 12, 2018

TARGA RESOURCES PARTNERS LP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 001-33303 (Commission File Number) 65-1295427 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

811 Louisiana, Suite 2100 Houston, TX 77002 (Address of principal executive office and Zip Code)

(713) 584-1000

(Registrants' telephone number, including area code)

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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Dere-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 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company \Box

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

(e) <u>Targa Resources Corp. 2018 Annual Incentive Compensation Plan</u>. On January 12, 2018, the Compensation Committee (the "<u>Committee</u>") of the Board of Directors of Targa Resources Corp. (the "<u>Company</u>"), which is the indirect parent of the general partner of Targa Resources Partners LP (the "<u>Partnership</u>"), approved the Company's 2018 Annual Incentive Compensation Plan (the "<u>Bonus Plan</u>"). The Bonus Plan is a discretionary annual cash bonus plan available to all of the Company's employees, including its executive officers, who also serve as executive officers of the Partnership's general partner. The purpose of the Bonus Plan is to reward employees for contributions toward the Company's business priorities (including business priorities with respect to the Partnership) approved by the Committee and to aid the Company in retaining and motivating employees. Under the Bonus Plan, the level of funding of the discretionary cash bonus pool is based on the Company's achievement of certain business priorities, including strategic, financial and operational objectives.

- The Committee has established the following eight key business priorities for 2018:
- execute on all business dimensions, including the 2018 business plan and public guidance,
- continue priority emphasis and strong performance relative to a safe workplace,
- reinforce business philosophy and mindset that promotes compliance in all aspects of the Company's business including environmental and regulatory compliance,
- continue to attract and retain the operational and professional talent needed in the Company's businesses,
- continue to control all costs—operating, capital and general and administrative—consistent with existing business environment,
- execute on major capital and development projects—finalizing negotiations, completing projects on time and on budget, optimizing economics and capital funding, and staffing for the new facilities,
- pursue selected growth opportunities including gathering and processing build outs, fee-based capex projects, and potential purchases of strategic assets, and
- pursue commercial and financial approaches to achieve maximum value and manage risks, including contract, credit, inventory, interest rate and commodity price exposures.

The Committee has targeted a total cash bonus pool for achievement of the business priorities based on the sum of individual employee market-based target bonus opportunities, which are based on a percentage of each employee's eligible earnings. Generally, eligible earnings are an employee's base salary and overtime pay. Near or following the end of the year, the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") recommends to the Committee the total amount of cash to be allocated to the bonus pool based upon overall performance of the Company relative to the established objectives, generally ranging from 0 to 2x the aggregate target bonus opportunities for all employees in the pool. Upon receipt of the CEO's recommendation, the Committee, in its sole discretion, determines the total amount of cash to be allocated to the bonus pool based on accomplishment of the applicable objectives as determined by the Committee and the CEO. Additionally, the Committee, in its sole discretion, determines the amount of the cash bonus pool to be allocated to the Company's executive officers, including the CEO. The executive officers determine the amount of the cash bonus pool to be allocated to the Company's departments, groups and employees (other than the executive officers of the Company) based on performance and upon the recommendation of their supervisors, managers and line officers. A copy of the Bonus Plan is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit
NumberDescriptionExhibit 10.1Targa Resources Corp. 2018 Annual Incentive Compensation Plan.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

TARGA RESOURCES PARTNERS LP

By: Targa Resources GP LLC, its general partner

Dated: January 17, 2018

By: <u>/s/ Matthew J. Meloy</u>

Matthew J. Meloy Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Targa Resources Corp. 2018 Annual Incentive Compensation Plan Description

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- reinforce business philosophy and mindset that promotes compliance in all aspects of our business including environmental and regulatory compliance,
- · continue to attract and retain the operational and professional talent needed in our businesses,
- continue to control all costs—operating, capital and general and administrative—consistent with existing business environment,
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