CSX CORP Form 8-K December 15, 2017

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): December 14, 2017

CSX CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia 1-08022 62-1051971 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

500 Water Street, 15th Floor, Jacksonville, Florida 32202

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (904) 359-3200

(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:

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

On December 14, 2017, the Board of Directors of CSX Corporation (the Company) appointed James M. Foote, the Company s Chief Operating Officer, as acting Chief Executive Officer due to the medical leave of E. Hunter Harrison, the Company s President and Chief Executive Officer.

Before joining the Company in October 2017, Mr. Foote, age 63, served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Bright Rail Energy, Inc., a privately-held corporation. From 2000 until 2009, Mr. Foote was Chief Sales and Marketing Officer of Canadian National Railway. Mr. Foote worked with Mr. Harrison when Mr. Harrison was Chief Executive Officer of Canadian National Railway from 2003 to 2009.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On December 14, 2017, the Company issued a press release. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated in this Current Report on Form 8-K in its entirety by reference.

Forward-looking Statements

The information contained in the attached press release and other statements by the Company may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act with respect to, among other items: projections and estimates of earnings, revenues, margins, volumes, rates, cost-savings, expenses, taxes, liquidity, capital expenditures, dividends, share repurchases or other financial items, statements of management s plans, strategies and objectives for future operations, and management s expectations as to future performance and operations and the time by which objectives will be achieved, statements concerning proposed new services, and statements regarding future economic, industry or market conditions or performance. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by words or phrases such as will, should, believe, expect, anticipate, project, estimate, and similar expressions. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement. If the Company updates any forward-looking statement, no inference should be drawn that the Company will make additional updates with respect to that statement or any other forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, and actual performance or results could differ materially from that anticipated by any forward-looking statements. Factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by any forward-looking statements include, among others; (i) the Company s success in implementing its financial and operational initiatives; (ii) changes in domestic or international economic, political or business conditions, including those affecting the transportation industry (such as the impact of industry competition, conditions, performance and consolidation); (iii) legislative or regulatory changes; (iv) the inherent business risks associated with safety and security; (v) the outcome of claims and litigation involving or affecting the Company; (vi) natural events such as severe weather conditions or pandemic health crises; and (vii) the inherent uncertainty associated with projecting economic and business conditions.

Other important assumptions and factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements are specified in the Company s SEC reports, accessible on the SEC s website at www.sec.gov and the Company s website at www.csx.com.

Item 9.01. Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release, dated December 14, 2017.

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.

CSX CORPORATION

By: /s/ Nathan D. Goldman Name: Nathan D. Goldman

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Legal

Officer and Corporate Secretary

DATE: December 15, 2017