

CMS ENERGY CORP  
Form 8-K  
September 23, 2010

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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):

September 20, 2010

CMS Energy Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan

001-09513

38-2726431

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan

49201

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

517-788-0550

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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))

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On September 23, 2010, CMS Energy Corporation ("CMS Energy") issued and sold \$250,000,000 principal amount of its 4.25% Senior Notes due 2015 ("2015 Notes"), pursuant to an effective Shelf Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-153353) (the "CMS Energy Registration Statement"), a Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated September 20, 2010 to a Prospectus dated September 5, 2008, an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus that included the final terms of the transaction, a Final Prospectus Supplement dated September 20, 2010 to a Prospectus dated September 5, 2008 and an underwriting agreement among CMS Energy and the underwriters named in that agreement with respect to the 2015 Notes. CMS Energy intends to use the net proceeds from the offering to pay the cash portion of the conversion value of CMS Energy's 4.50% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series B, which CMS Energy intends to call for mandatory conversion promptly upon the consummation of the sale of the 2015 Notes offered hereby, and for general corporate purposes.

This Current Report on Form 8-K is being filed to file certain documents in connection with the offering as exhibits to the CMS Energy Registration Statement.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

1.1 Underwriting Agreement dated September 20, 2010 among CMS Energy and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Banc of America Securities LLC, Barclays Capital Inc., Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc., and SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc., as underwriters.

4.1 Twenty-Fifth Supplemental Indenture dated as of September 23, 2010 between CMS Energy and The Bank of New York Mellon, as Trustee.

4.2 Form of 4.25% Senior Notes due 2015 (included in Exhibit 4.1).

5.1 Opinion of Shelley J. Ruckman, Esq., Assistant General Counsel of CMS Energy, dated September 23, 2010, regarding the legality of the 2015 Notes.

23.1 Consent of Shelley J. Ruckman, Esq. (included in Exhibit 5.1).

99.1 Information relating to Item 14 of the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-153353).

This Form 8-K contains "forward-looking statements" as defined in Rule 3b-6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, Rule 175 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and relevant legal decisions. The forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties. They should be read in conjunction with "FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS AND INFORMATION" and "RISK FACTORS" sections of CMS Energy Corporation's ("CMS Energy") Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2009 and as updated in CMS Energy's Forms 10-Q for the Quarters Ended March 31, 2010 and June 30, 2010. CMS Energy's "FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS AND INFORMATION" and "RISK FACTORS" sections are incorporated herein by reference and discuss important factors that could cause CMS Energy's results to differ materially from those anticipated in such statements.

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**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.

CMS Energy Corporation

*September 23, 2010*

*By: Thomas J. Webb*

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*Name: Thomas J. Webb*

*Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*

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