REALOGY HOLDINGS CORP. Form 8-K March 25, 2019

## **UNITED STATES**

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, DC 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 25, 2019 (March 25, 2019)

Realogy Holdings Corp.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware 001-35674 20-8050955 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

#### Realogy Group LLC

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction **333-148153** (Commission

**20-4381990** (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number) 175 Park Avenue **Identification No.)** 

Madison, NJ 07940

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(973) 407-2000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

None

(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)) Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in 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

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(§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 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

The following information is being furnished pursuant to this Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

In connection with a proposed unsecured financing, Realogy Holdings Corp. (Realogy or the Company) anticipates disclosing to prospective investors certain information that has not been previously publicly reported, excerpts of which are furnished below.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources Update

The Company expects to prioritize investing in its business and reducing indebtedness over other potential uses of cash until it is able to reduce its Consolidated Leverage Ratio (as defined in the indenture that will govern the proposed unsecured financing) to below 4.00 to 1.00, although the Company anticipates continuing its quarterly cash dividend. Accordingly, during this period, the Company does not expect to repurchase common stock pursuant to its existing share repurchase programs.

There can be no assurances as to the length of time that will be necessary for the Company to achieve this reduction in its Consolidated Leverage Ratio or whether it will be successful in reducing and maintaining its Consolidated Leverage Ratio below 4.00 to 1.00. Moreover, there can be no assurances as to the timing, frequency or amounts of any dividends or share repurchases in the future and such determinations will be subject to the discretion of the board of directors and will depend on a variety of factors as described elsewhere in the Company s SEC filings.

The Company also anticipates an increase in the level of commitments under its revolving credit facility by \$25.0 million from \$1.4 billion to \$1.425 billion through the addition of a new financial institution, although there can be no assurance that such increase will occur.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this report constitute forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to, statements related to Realogy s expectation that it will reduce its indebtedness in the second half of 2019 and beyond. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of Realogy to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Statements preceded by, followed by or that otherwise include the words believes, expects, anticipates, intends, projects, estimates and plans and similar expressions or future or conditional verbs such as will, should, would, may and could are generally forward-looking in nature and not historical facts. Any statements that refer to expectations or other characterizations of future events, circumstances or results are forward-looking statements.

Various factors that could cause actual future results and other future events to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements, include, but are not limited to: adverse developments or the absence of sustained improvement in general business, economic and political conditions or the residential real estate markets, either regionally or nationally, including but not limited to a decline or a lack of improvement in the number of homesales, stagnant or declining home prices or a reduction in the affordability of housing, increasing mortgage rates and/or constraints on the availability of mortgage financing, insufficient or excessive home inventory levels by market and price point, a lack of improvement or deceleration in the building of new housing and/or irregular timing or volume of new development closings, the potential negative impact of certain provisions of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (the 2017 Tax Act ) on home values over time in states with high property, sales and state and local income taxes or

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on homeownership rates, and/or the impact of recessions, slow economic growth, or a deterioration in

other economic factors that particularly impact the residential real estate market and the business segments in which we operate whether broadly or by geography and price segments; increased competition in the industry and for independent sales agents; our ability to successfully develop or procure technology that supports our business strategy; continuing pressure on the share of gross commission income paid by our company owned brokerages and affiliated franchisees to affiliated independent sales agents and sales agent teams; our geographic and high-end market concentration; our inability to enter into franchise agreements with new franchisees or renew existing franchise agreements at current contractual royalty rates without increasing the amount and prevalence of sales incentives; the lack of revenue growth or declining profitability of our franchisees and company owned brokerage operations; the loss of a significant affinity client or multiple significant relocation clients or changes in corporate relocation practices resulting in fewer employee relocations, reduced relocation benefits and/or increasing competition in corporate relocation; an increase in the experienced claims losses of our title underwriter; our failure or alleged failure to comply with laws, regulations and regulatory interpretations and any changes or stricter interpretations of any of the foregoing (whether through private litigation or governmental action), including but not limited to (i) state or federal employment laws or regulations that would require reclassification of independent contractor sales agents to employee status, (ii) privacy or data security laws and regulations and (iii) RESPA or other federal or state consumer protection or similar laws; risks relating to our ability to return capital to stockholders; risks associated with our substantial indebtedness and interest obligations and restrictions contained in our debt agreements, including risks relating to having to dedicate a significant portion of our cash flows from operations to service our debt and risks relating to our ability to refinance or repay our indebtedness or incur additional indebtedness; and risks and growing costs related to both cybersecurity threats to our data and customer, franchisee, employee and independent sales agent data, as well as those related to our compliance with the growing number of laws, regulations and other requirements related to the protection of personal information.

Consideration should be given to the areas of risk described above, as well as those risks set forth under the headings Forward-Looking Statements and Risk Factors in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, and our other filings made from time to time, in connection with considering any forward-looking statements that may be made by us and our businesses generally. We undertake no obligation to release publicly any revisions to any forward-looking statements, to report events or to report the occurrence of unanticipated events except as required by law.

## **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.

#### REALOGY GROUP LLC

By: /s/ Timothy B. Gustavson
Timothy B. Gustavson, Senior Vice
President

and Chief Accounting Officer

Date: March 25, 2019

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