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RLJ Lodging Trust Form 8-K February 22, 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): February 22, 2017

RLJ LODGING TRUST

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 001-35169 27-4706509

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Number)

3 Bethesda Metro Center

Suite 1000 20814

Bethesda, MD

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(301) 280-7777

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 22, 2017, RLJ Lodging Trust (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2016. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

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The information included in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1 hereto) shall not be deemed "filed" for the 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 into any filing made by the Company under the Exchange Act or the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

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Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) The following exhibits are filed as part of this report:

Exhibit Description Number

Press release dated February 22, 2017, issued by RLJ Lodging Trust, providing financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2016.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

RLJ LODGING TRUST

Dated: February 22, 2017 By:/s/ROSS H. BIERKAN

Ross H. Bierkan

President, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Investment Officer and Trustee

EXHIBIT LIST

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