Gastar Exploration Inc. Form 8-K January 04, 2019

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 4, 2019

GASTAR EXPLORATION INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE 001-35211 38-3531640 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer of incorporation) Identification No.)

1331 LAMAR STREET, SUITE 650

HOUSTON, TEXAS 77010 (Address of principal executive offices)

(713) 739-1800 Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, If Changed Since Last Report)

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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.

SECTION 7 – REGULATION FD

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosures.

On January 4, 2019, Gastar Exploration Inc. ("Gastar") and its subsidiary (together with Gastar, the "Company" or the "Debtors") filed a monthly operating report for the period from November 1, 2018 to November 30, 2018 (the "Monthly Operating Report") with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "Bankruptcy Court"). The Bankruptcy Court has had jurisdiction over the reorganization proceedings under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code for the Debtors since October 31, 2018. A copy of the Monthly Operating Report is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information set forth in this Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and in Exhibit 99.1 is being furnished hereby 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 into any of the Company's filings under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, whether made before or after the date hereof and regardless of any general incorporation language in such filings, except to the extent expressly set forth by specific reference in such filings. The filing of this Item 7.01 shall not be deemed an admission as to the materiality of any information herein that is required to be disclosed solely by reason of Regulation FD.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Financial Operating Data

The Company cautions investors and potential investors not to place undue reliance upon the information contained in the Monthly Operating Report, which was not prepared for the purpose of providing the basis for an investment decision relating to any securities of the Company or any of its subsidiaries. The Debtors prepared the Monthly Operating Report solely for purposes of complying with the monthly operating requirements applicable in the Debtors' Chapter 11 cases. The financial information contained in the Monthly Operating Report is unaudited, limited in scope, and as such, has not been subject to procedures that would typically be applied to financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Monthly Operating Report should not be relied upon by any persons for information relating to current or future financial condition, events, or performance of the Company and any of its debtor and non-debtor subsidiaries, as the results of operations contained in the Monthly Operating Report are not necessarily indicative of results which may be expected from any other period or for the full year, and may not necessarily reflect the combined results of operations, financial position, and schedule of receipts and disbursements in the future. There can be no assurance that such information is complete, and the Monthly Operating Report may be subject to revision. Subsequent information or discovery may result in material changes to the Monthly Operating Report and errors or omissions may exist. Notwithstanding any such discovery, new information, or errors or omissions, the Debtors do not undertake any obligation or commitment to update the Monthly Operating Report.

SECTION 9 – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following is a list of exhibits that are furnished or filed herewith:

Exhibit

No. Description of Document

99.1 <u>Monthly Operating Report of Gastar Exploration Inc. and its debtor subsidiary for the period from</u>

November 1, 2018 to November 30, 2018.

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.

> **GASTAR** Date: January 4, 2019 EXPLORATION INC.

> > /s/ Michael

By: A. Gerlich

Michael

A. Gerlich Senior Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer