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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): March 16, 2016

CTS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Indiana 1-4639 35-0225010

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (1.R.S. Employer Identification No)

1142 W. Beardsley Ave.

Elkhart, Indiana 46514 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (574) 523-3800

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

The disclosures set forth in Item 2.01 hereof are hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 1.01.

Item 2.01 Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

On March 11, 2016, CTS Corporation ("CTS") acquired CTG Advanced Materials, LLC ("CTG-AM") from BW Piezo Holdings, LLC for \$73 million in cash. CTG-AM is the market leading designer and manufacturer of single crystal piezoelectric materials that enable high definition ultrasound imaging and intravascular ultrasound technology for the medical industry. Other applications include wireless pacemakers, implantable hearing aids and defense technologies.

BW Piezo Holdings, LLC is managed by Blue Wolf Capital Partners LLC, a private equity firm founded in 2005 that specializes in control investments in middle-market companies.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 14, 2016, CTS issued a press release announcing the closing of the transaction. A copy of this press release is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit Description 99.1 Press release dated March 14, 2016

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.

CTS CORPORATION

Date: March 16, 2016 By: /s/ Ashish Agrawal Ashish Agrawal

Vice President, Chief Financial Officer