

PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT INC.  
Form 8-K  
June 17, 2013

**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): June 17, 2013**

**PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**

**of incorporation)**

**001-13641**  
**(Commission**

**File Number)**

**95-3667491**  
**(IRS Employer**

**Identification No.)**

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8918 Spanish Ridge Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada  
(Address of principal executive offices)

89148  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, including area code: (702) 541-7777

N/A

(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)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On June 17, 2013, Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release announcing that the Company has reached an agreement in principle with the Bureau of Competition Staff of the Federal Trade Commission ( Commission ) that, subject to negotiation of a consent order, Commission approval and gaming regulatory approvals, would permit the consummation of the Company s proposed acquisition of Ameristar Casinos, Inc. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report of Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

**Exhibit**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
Exhibit 99.1	Press Release dated June 17, 2013, issued by Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc.

**SIGNATURE**

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.

PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: June 17, 2013

By: /s/ Elliot D. Hoops  
Elliot D. Hoops  
Vice President and Legal Counsel

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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