AMERICAN AXLE & MANUFACTURING HOLDINGS INC Form 8-K March 01, 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): February 28, 2013

AMERICAN AXLE & MANUFACTURING HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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of incorporation) File Number) Identification Number)

One Dauch Drive,

Detroit, Michigan (Address of principal executive offices)

48211-1198 (zip code)

(313) 758-2000

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))

SECTION 1 Registrant s Business and Operations

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On March 1, 2013, in connection with the cash tender offer and consent solicitation (the Tender Offer) by American Axle & Manufacturing, Inc. (the Company) for any and all of its outstanding \$300 million aggregate principal amount of 7.875% Senior Notes due March 1, 2017 (the Notes), the Company accepted for payment and paid for \$172,581,000 aggregate principal amount of the Notes, and the Company and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (as successor to BNY Midwest Trust Company), as trustee (the Trustee), entered into a first supplemental indenture dated as of February 28, 2013 (the First Supplemental Indenture). The First Supplemental Indenture amends and supplements the indenture, dated as of February 27, 2007 (the Indenture), among the Company, American Axle & Manufacturing Holdings, Inc., as guarantor, and the Trustee, pursuant to which the Notes were issued. The First Supplemental Indenture became operative on March 1, 2013 upon the acceptance and payment by the Company of all Notes tendered in the Tender Offer before 5:00 p.m., February 28, 2013. The First Supplemental Indenture amends the Indenture to, among other things, eliminate most of the restrictive covenants and certain default provisions applicable to the Notes and shorten the notice required to be given to holders in the case of redemption of the notes. A copy of the First Supplemental Indenture is attached hereto as Exhibit 4.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

SECTION 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

4.1 First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of February 28, 2013, between American Axle & Manufacturing, Inc. and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (as successor to BNY Midwest Trust Company), as trustee, related to American Axle & Manufacturing, Inc. s 7.875% Senior Notes due March 1, 2017.

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.

AMERICAN AXLE & MANUFACTURING HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ MICHAEL K. SIMONTE Name: Michael K. Simonte Title: Executive Vice President &

Chief Financial Officer (also in capacity of Chief

Accounting Officer)

Dated: March 1, 2013

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