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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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): October 6, 2016

Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-06991 71-0415188

(State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

702 S.W. 8th Street

Bentonville, Arkansas 72716-0215

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(479) 273-4000

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On October 6, 2016, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), issued the attached press release (the "Press Release") that includes forecasts of certain elements of the Company's financial performance for the fiscal years ending January 31, 2017, 2018, and 2019. Walmart considers the forecasts in the Press Release to be "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "Act"), that are intended to enjoy the protection of the safe harbor for forward-looking statements provided by the Act. These forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and other factors.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 - A copy of the Press Release referenced in Item 8.01 of this Form 8-K is included herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

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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.

Dated: October 6, 2016

WAL-MART STORES, INC.

By: /s/ Gordon Y. Allison Name: Gordon Y. Allison

Title: Vice President and General Counsel, Corporate Division