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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): January 15, 2019

The Sherwin-Williams Company

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

| Ohio | 1-04851 | 34-0526850 |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer |
| | | Identification No.) |
| | 101 West Prospect Avenue | 44115 |
| | Cleveland, Ohio | (Zip Code) |
| | (Address of Principal | |
| | Executive Offices) (216) 566-2000 | |

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

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

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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 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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.

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 15, 2019, The Sherwin-Williams Company issued a press release announcing preliminary unaudited sales and earnings results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2018. A copy of this press release is furnished with this Report as Exhibit 99 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following Exhibit is furnished with this Report:

Exhibit No. Exhibit Description

99 <u>Press Release of The Sherwin-Williams Company, dated January 15, 2019.</u>

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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.

THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY

January 15, 2019

By: /s/ Mary L. Garceau Mary L. Garceau Senior Vice President, General Counsel

and Secretary

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