LEE ENTERPRISES, INC Form 8-K November 19, 2018

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): November 16, 2018

LEE ENTERPRISES, INCORPORATED (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number 1-6227

Delaware42-0823980(State of Incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

201 N. Harrison Street, Davenport, Iowa 52801 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(563) 383-2100 Registrant's telephone number, including area code

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)

[] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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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 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On November 16, 2018, Lee Enterprises, Incorporated (the "Company") announced that the Company has repaid, in full, the \$250 million 1st Lien Term Loan issued in March, 2014. The repayment comes nearly five months ahead of the March 31, 2019 maturity date. On September 30, 2018, prior to the final payoff of the 1st Lien Term Loan, total consolidated debt was \$484.9M. A copy of the news release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and information from the news release is hereby incorporated by reference. The information in this report shall not be treated as filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 <u>News Release - 1st Lien Term Loan Payoff</u>

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 thereunto duly authorized. LEE ENTERPRISES, INCORPORATED

/s/ Timothy R. Millage

Date: November 16, 2018 By:

Timothy R. Millage Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer