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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

(Mark One) ý ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 or ...TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from to Commission File Number: 001-36463

PARSLEY ENERGY, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	46-4314192
(State or other jurisdiction	(I.R.S. Employer
of incorporation or organization)	Identification No.)
 303 Colorado Street, Suite 3000 Austin, Texas (Address of principal executive offices) (737) 704-2300 (Registrant's telephone number, includin Securities registered pursuant to Section 	g area code)

Title of each className of each exchange
on which registered

Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value New York Stock Exchange Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes \circ No "

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes " No \acute{y}

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes \circ No " Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes \circ No "

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Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filerý

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer o (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company" Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes "No ý

Aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates of registrant as of June 30, 2016 was approximately \$3,250,385,356 based on the closing price as reported on the New York Stock Exchange. As of February 27, 2017, the registrant had 246,479,483 shares of Class A Common Stock and 28,008,573 shares of Class B Common Stock outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the registrant's definitive proxy statement for the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, to be filed no later than 120 days after the end of the fiscal year to which this Annual Report on Form 10-K relates, are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Various statements contained in or incorporated by reference into this Annual Report on Form 10-K (this "Annual Report") that express a belief, expectation, or intention, or that are not statements of historical fact, are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). These forward-looking statements include statements, projections and estimates concerning the Company's operations, performance, business strategy, oil and natural gas reserves, drilling program, capital expenditures, liquidity and capital resources, the timing and success of specific projects, outcomes and effects of litigation, claims and disputes, derivative activities and potential financing. Forward-looking statements are generally accompanied by words such as "estimate," "project," "predict," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "potential," "could," "may," "foresee," "plan," "goal" or other words that convey the uncertainty of future events or outcomes. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of performance. We have based these forward-looking statements on our current expectations and assumptions about future events. These statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by us in light of our experience and our perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments as well as other factors we believe are appropriate under the circumstances. Actual results may differ materially from those implied or expressed by the forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this Annual Report, or if earlier, as of the date they were made. We disclaim any obligation to update or revise these statements unless required by law, and we caution you not to rely on them unduly. While our management considers these expectations and assumptions to be reasonable, they are inherently subject to significant business, economic, competitive, regulatory and other risks, contingencies and uncertainties relating to, among other matters, the risks discussed under "Item 1A. Risk Factors," as well as those factors summarized below. Forward-looking statements may include statements about our:

business strategy;

reserves;

exploration and development drilling prospects, inventories, projects and programs;

ability to replace the reserves we produce through drilling and property acquisitions;

financial strategy, liquidity and capital required for our development program;

realized oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids ("NGLs") prices;

timing and amount of future production of oil, natural gas and NGLs;

hedging strategy and results;

future drilling plans;

competition and government regulations;

ability to obtain permits and governmental approvals;

pending legal or environmental matters;

marketing of oil, natural gas and

NGLs;

leasehold or business acquisitions;

costs of developing our properties;

general economic conditions;

credit markets;

uncertainty regarding our future operating results; and

plans, objectives, expectations and intentions contained in this Annual Report that are not historical.

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We caution you that these forward-looking statements are subject to all of the risks and uncertainties, most of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond our control, incident to the exploration for and development, production, gathering and sale of oil, natural gas and NGLs. These risks include, but are not limited to, commodity price volatility, inflation, lack of availability of drilling and production equipment and services, environmental risks, drilling and other operating risks, regulatory changes, the uncertainty inherent in estimating reserves and in projecting future rates of production, cash flow and access to capital, the timing of development expenditures, and the other risks described under "Item 1A. Risk Factors."

Additionally, we caution you that reserve engineering is a process of estimating underground accumulations of oil, natural gas and NGLs that cannot be measured in an exact way. The accuracy of any reserve estimate depends on the quality of available data, the interpretation of such data and price and cost assumptions made by reserve engineers. In addition, the results of drilling, testing and production activities may justify revisions of estimates that were made previously. If significant, such revisions would change the schedule of any further production and development drilling. Accordingly, reserve estimates may differ significantly from the quantities of oil, natural gas and NGLs that are ultimately recovered.

Should one or more of the risks or uncertainties described in this Annual Report occur, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, our actual results and plans could differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements.

All forward-looking statements, expressed or implied, included in this Annual Report are expressly qualified in their entirety by this cautionary note. This cautionary note should also be considered in connection with any subsequent written or oral forward-looking statements that we or persons acting on our behalf may issue.

Except as otherwise required by applicable law, we disclaim any duty to update any forward-looking statements, all of which are expressly qualified by the statements in this cautionary note, to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this Annual Report.

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GLOSSARY OF CERTAIN TERMS AND CONVENTIONS USED HEREIN

The terms defined in this section are used throughout this Annual Report:
Bbl. One stock tank barrel, of
42 U.S. gallons liquid
(1) volume, used in reference to

(1) volume, used in reference to crude oil, condensate or natural gas liquids.

Boe. One barrel of oil equivalent, with 6,000 cubic (2) feet of natural gas being

- equivalent to one barrel of oil.
- (3) Boe/d. One barrel of oil equivalent per day.

British thermal unit or Btu. The heat required to raise the

(4) temperature of a one-pound mass of water from 58.5 to 59.5 degrees Fahrenheit.

> Completion. The process of treating a drilled well followed by the installation of permanent equipment for

(5) the production of oil or natural gas, or in the case of a dry hole, the reporting of abandonment to the appropriate agency.

Condensate. A mixture of hydrocarbons that exists in the gaseous phase at original (6)

 (6) pressure, but that, when produced, is in the liquid phase at surface pressure and temperature.

Development well. A well drilled within the proved area of an oil or natural gas

 (7) of an oil or natural gas reservoir to the depth of a stratigraphic horizon known to be productive. Dry Hole. A well found to be incapable of producing hydrocarbons in sufficient quantities such that proceeds from the sale of such production exceed production expenses and taxes.

Economically producible. A resource that generates revenue that exceeds, or is reasonably expected to

(9) exceed, the costs of the operation. For a complete definition of economically producible, refer to the SEC's Regulation S-X, Rule 4-10(a)(10).

Exploitation. A development or other project which may target proven or unproven (10)^{reserves} (such as probable or possible reserves), but which generally has a lower risk than that associated with exploration projects.

> Exploration costs. Costs incurred in identifying areas that may warrant examination and in examining specific areas that are considered to have prospects of containing oil and natural gas reserves, including costs of drilling exploratory wells and

(11) exploratory-type

⁷ stratigraphic test wells. Exploration costs may be incurred both before and after acquiring the related property. Principal types of exploration costs, which include depreciation and applicable operating costs of support equipment and facilities and other costs of exploration activities, are:

(i)	Costs of topographical, geographical and geophysical studies, rights of access to properties to conduct those studies, and salaries and other expenses of geologists, geophysical crews, and others conducting those studies. Collectively, these are referred to as geological and geophysical costs or G&G costs.
(ii)	Costs of carrying and retaining undeveloped properties, such as delay rentals, ad valorem taxes on properties, legal costs for title defense, and the maintenance of land and lease records.
(iii)	Dry hole contributions and bottom hole contributions.
(iv)	Costs of drilling and equipping exploratory wells.
(v)	Costs of drilling exploratory-type stratigraphic test wells.

(vi) Idle drilling rig fees which are not chargeable to joint operations.

Exploratory well. A well drilled to find a new field or (12)^{to} find a new reservoir in a field previously found to be productive of oil or natural gas in another reservoir.

> Field. An area consisting of a single reservoir or multiple reservoirs all grouped on or related to the same individual geological structural feature and/or stratigraphic condition. The field name

(13) refers to the surface area, although it may refer to both the surface and the underground productive formations. For a complete definition of field, refer to the SEC's Regulation S-X, Rule 4-10(a)(15).

Formation. A layer of rock (14) which has distinct characteristics that differ from nearby rock.

GAAP. Accounting (15)principles generally accepted in the United States.

Gross acres or gross wells. The total acres or wells, as (16)the case may be, in which an

entity owns a working interest.

Horizontal drilling. A drilling technique used in certain formations where a well is

(17) drilled vertically to a certain depth and then drilled at a right angle within a specified interval.

Identified drilling locations. Potential drilling locations specifically identified by our management (18)^{based on}evaluation of applicable geologic and engineering data accrued over our multi-year historical drilling activities. Lease operating expense. All direct and allocated indirect costs of lifting hydrocarbons from a producing formation to the surface constituting part of the current operating expenses of a working interest. Such costs (19) include labor, superintendence, supplies, repairs, maintenance, allocated overhead charges, workover, insurance and other expenses incidental to production, but exclude lease acquisition or drilling or completion expenses.

LIBOR. London (20)Interbank Offered Rate.

MBbl. One thousand barrels (21)of crude oil, condensate or NGLs.

MBoe. One (22)thousand barrels of oil equivalent.

Mcf. One (23)^{thousand cubic} feet of natural gas.

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