BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC Form 8-K September 17, 2012

## 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) September 17, 2012

# BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC.

(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

DELAWARE (STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION

001-14905 (COMMISSION 47-0813844 (I.R.S. EMPLOYER

 $OF\ INCORPORATION)$ 

FILE NUMBER)

IDENTIFICATION NO.)

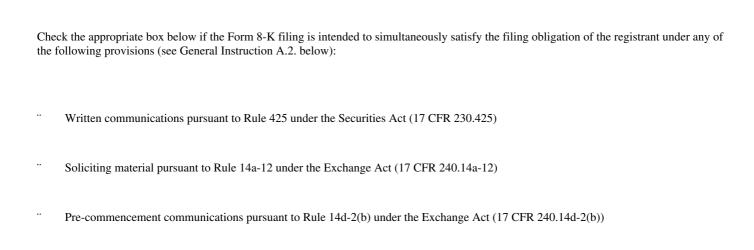
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#### REGISTRANT S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE



Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 8.01 Other Events.

On September 17, 2012, Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation (BHFC) issued (i) \$325,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 1.600% Senior Notes due 2017, (ii) \$200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 3.000% Senior Notes due 2022, and (iii) \$225,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 4.400% Senior Notes due 2042 ((i), (ii), and (iii) collectively, the Notes), under a registration statement on Form S-3 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission) on February 1, 2010 (Registration No. 333-164611) (the Registration Statement). The Notes, which will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (Berkshire), were sold pursuant to an underwriting agreement (the Underwriting Agreement) entered into on September 5, 2012, by and between (a) BHFC and Berkshire and (b) Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC (collectively, the Underwriters). The Notes are issued under an Indenture, dated as of February 1, 2010, by and among BHFC, as issuer, Berkshire, as guarantor, and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (the Indenture), and officers certificates dated as of May 15, 2012 (the Officers Certificates).

The relevant terms of the Notes and the Indenture are further described under the caption Description of the Notes and Guarantee in the prospectus supplement, dated September 5, 2012, filed with the Commission by Berkshire on September 6, 2012, pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and in the section entitled Description of the Debt Securities in the base prospectus, dated February 1, 2010, included in the Registration Statement, which descriptions are incorporated herein by reference.

A copy of the Indenture is set forth in Exhibit 4.1 of the Registration Statement and is incorporated herein by reference. Copies of the Officers Certificates (including the forms of the Notes) were attached as Exhibits 4.2, 4.3, and 4.4 to the current report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission by Berkshire on May 16, 2012, and are incorporated herein by reference. The descriptions of the Indenture, the Officers Certificates and the Notes in this report are summaries and are qualified in their entirety by the terms of the Indenture, the Officers Certificates and the Notes, respectively.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

- 1.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated September 5, 2012, by and between (a) Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation and Berkshire Hathaway Inc. and (b) Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC.
- 4.1 Indenture, dated as of February 1, 2010, among the Berkshire Hathaway Inc., Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of Berkshire s Registration Statement on Form S-3 2010 (Registration No. 333-164611) filed with the Commission on February 1, 2010).
- 4.2 Officers Certificate of Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation, dated as of May 15, 2012, including the form of Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation s 1.600% Senior Notes due 2017 (included in Berkshire s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on May 16, 2012).
- 4.3 Officers Certificate of Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation, dated as of May 15, 2012, including the form of Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation s 3.000% Senior Notes due 2022 (included in Berkshire s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on May 16, 2012).
- 4.4 Officers Certificate of Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation, dated as of May 15, 2012, including the form of Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation s 4.400% Senior Notes due 2042 (included in Berkshire s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on May 16, 2012).
- 5.1 Opinion of Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP, dated September 17, 2012.
- 23.1 Consent of Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).

#### **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.

September 17, 2012

BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC.

/s/ Marc D. Hamburg

By: Marc D. Hamburg

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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