
**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): November 20, 2018 (November 19, 2018)

Hortonworks, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

001-36780
(Commission File Number)

37-1634325
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

5470 Great America Parkway
Santa Clara, CA
(Address of principal executive offices)

95054
(Zip Code)

(408) 916-4121
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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:

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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 8.01 Other Events.

On November 19, 2018, Hortonworks, Inc. (the “Company”) and Cloudera, Inc. (“Cloudera”) issued a joint press release announcing that the U.S. Federal Trade Commission granted early termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended (the “HSR Act”), in connection with the proposed merger of Surf Merger Corporation (the “Merger Sub”) with and into the Company (the “Merger”) pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization, dated as of October 3, 2018 (the “Merger Agreement”), by and among the Company, Cloudera, and the Merger Sub. A copy of that joint press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

The early termination of the waiting period under the HSR Act satisfies one of the conditions to the closing of the Merger. The closing of the Merger remains subject to the satisfaction or waiver of the remaining conditions to the Merger set forth in the Merger Agreement, including approval of the Merger Agreement by the Company’s stockholders and approval of the issuance of shares of Cloudera common stock in connection with the Merger by Cloudera’s stockholders.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

**Exhibit
Number**

Description of Exhibit

99.1 [Joint Press Release, dated November 19, 2018.](#)

Forward-Looking Statements

This communication contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities law that are subject to various risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in such statements. Words such as “anticipate,” “expect,” “project,” “intend,” “believe,” and words and terms of similar substance used in connection with any discussion of future plans, actions or events identify forward-looking statements. Such statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that include, but are not limited to: (i) Cloudera or Hortonworks may be unable to obtain stockholder approval as required for the merger; (ii) other conditions to the closing of the merger may not be satisfied; (iii) the merger may involve unexpected costs, liabilities or delays; (iv) the effect of the announcement of the merger on the ability of Cloudera or Hortonworks to retain and hire key personnel and maintain relationships with customers, suppliers and others with whom Cloudera or Hortonworks does business, or on Cloudera’s or Hortonworks’ operating results and business generally; (v) Cloudera’s or Hortonworks’ respective businesses may suffer as a result of uncertainty surrounding the merger and disruption of management’s attention due to the merger; (vi) the outcome of any legal proceedings related to the merger; (vii) Cloudera or Hortonworks may be adversely affected by other economic, business, and/or competitive factors; (viii) the occurrence of any event, change or other circumstances that could give rise to the termination of the merger agreement; (ix) risks that the merger disrupts current plans and operations and the potential difficulties in employee retention as a result of the merger; and (x) other risks to consummation of the merger, including the risk that the merger will not be consummated within the expected time period or at all. Additional factors that may affect the future results of Cloudera and Hortonworks are set forth in their respective filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”), including each of Cloudera’s and Hortonworks’ most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K, subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and other filings with the SEC, which are available on the SEC’s website at www.sec.gov. See in particular Item 1A of Part II of Cloudera’s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended July 31, 2018 under the heading “Risk Factors” and Item 1A of Part II of Hortonworks’ Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2018 under the heading “Risk Factors.” The risks and uncertainties described above and in Cloudera’s most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and Hortonworks’ most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are not exclusive and further information concerning Cloudera and Hortonworks and their respective businesses, including factors that potentially could

materially affect its business, financial condition or operating results, may emerge from time to time. Readers are urged to consider these factors carefully in evaluating these forward-looking statements. Readers should also carefully review the risk factors described in other documents that Cloudera and Hortonworks file from time to time with the SEC. The forward-looking statements in this communication speak only as of the date of this communication. Except as required by law, Cloudera and Hortonworks assume no obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements for any reason, even if new information becomes available in the future.

No Offer or Solicitation

This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities or a solicitation of any vote or approval with respect to the proposed merger or otherwise. No offer of securities shall be made except by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Additional Information and Where to Find It

In connection with the proposed merger between Cloudera and Hortonworks, Cloudera has filed a registration statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-228155), as amended, which contains a preliminary joint proxy statement/prospectus of Cloudera and Hortonworks, and each party will file other documents concerning the proposed merger with the SEC. The definitive proxy statement will be mailed to the stockholders of Cloudera and Hortonworks in advance of the special meeting. BEFORE MAKING ANY VOTING DECISION, CLOUDERA'S AND HORTONWORKS' RESPECTIVE STOCKHOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THE DEFINITIVE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS IN ITS ENTIRETY WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS FILED BY EACH OF CLOUDERA AND HORTONWORKS WITH THE SEC IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED MERGER OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE THEREIN BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION AND THE PARTIES TO THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION. Investors and security holders may obtain a free copy of the Form S-4, including the joint proxy statement/prospectus, as well as other documents containing important information about Cloudera and Hortonworks through the website maintained by the SEC at www.sec.gov. Cloudera and Hortonworks make available free of charge at www.cloudera.com and www.hortonworks.com, respectively (in the "Investor Relations" section), copies of materials they file with, or furnish to, the SEC. The contents of the websites referenced above are not deemed to be incorporated by reference into the registration statement or the joint proxy statement/prospectus.

Participants in the Solicitation

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

HORTONWORKS, INC.

Date: November 20, 2018

By: /s/ Scott Davidson

Scott Davidson

Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer



Cloudera and Hortonworks Announce Termination of Hart-Scott-Rodino Waiting Period for Proposed Merger

PALO ALTO, Calif. and SANTA CLARA, Calif., Nov. 19, 2018 /PRNewswire/ — Cloudera, Inc. (NYSE: CLDR) and Hortonworks, Inc. (NASDAQ: HDP) jointly announced today that the U.S. Federal Trade Commission granted early termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended (the “HSR Act”), in connection with their previously announced merger.

The termination of the waiting period under the HSR Act satisfies one of the conditions to the closing of the merger, which remains subject to other closing conditions in the Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization, dated as of October 3, 2018, by and among Cloudera, Inc., Surf Merger Corporation, and Hortonworks, Inc. Cloudera and Hortonworks plan to hold their respective shareholder meetings to vote on the proposed merger in late December 2018 with the completion of the merger to follow soon thereafter.

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At Cloudera, we believe that data can make what is impossible today, possible tomorrow. We empower people to transform complex data into clear and actionable insights. We deliver the modern platform for machine learning and analytics optimized for the cloud. The world’s largest enterprises trust Cloudera to help solve their most challenging business problems. Learn more at cloudera.com.

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