

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K/A

**CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): **August 18, 2017**

Quest Diagnostics Incorporated

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-12215

(Commission File Number)

16-1387862

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Three Giralda Farms

Madison, NJ

(Address of principal executive offices)

07940

(Zip Code)

(973) 520-2700

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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)
- 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 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.

Explanatory Note

This Form 8-K/A is being filed as an amendment (“Amendment No. 1”) to the current report on Form 8-K filed by Quest Diagnostics Incorporated (the “Company”) with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 16, 2017 (the “Original Filing”). The sole purpose of this Amendment No. 1 is to disclose the Company’s decision regarding how frequently it will conduct stockholder advisory votes on executive compensation. No other changes have been made to the Original Filing.

Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

At the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Company (the “Meeting”), a majority of votes cast with respect to the proposal to recommend the frequency of the advisory vote on executive compensation were cast in favor of conducting such advisory vote annually, consistent with the recommendation of the Company’s board of directors (the “Board”). After considering the results of the stockholder vote at the Meeting, the Board determined that the Company will continue to hold an annual advisory vote on executive compensation until the next vote on the frequency of stockholder votes on executive compensation. The Company is required to hold votes on frequency not less frequently than every six years.

Signature

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.

August 21, 2017

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED

By: /s/ William J. O’Shaughnessy, Jr.
William J. O’Shaughnessy, Jr.
Deputy General Counsel and Secretary