E.W. SCRIPPS Co Form 8-K October 31, 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) October 27, 2018 THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio0-1691431-1223339(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)(Commission
File Number)(I.R.S. EmployerIdentification Number)

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Walnut
St5202
Cincinnati,
Ohio
(Address
of
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executive
offices)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (513) 977-3000
Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On October 27, 2018, The E.W. Scripps Company, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Scripps Media, Inc., signed a definitive agreement with Cordillera Communications, LLC to acquire fifteen broadcast television stations for \$521 million in cash. The transaction, pending regulatory and other approvals, is expected to be completed in the first quarter of 2019. A copy of the agreement is filed herewith as Exhibit 2.1.

Copies of the press release and investor presentation related to the acquisition are attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2, respectively.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description of Item

- 2.1 Purchase agreement dated as of October 27, 2018, among Cordillera Communications, LLC and Scripps
- <u>2.1</u> Media, Inc. with respect to the acquisition of certain subsidiaries of Cordillera Communications, LLC
- <u>99.1</u> Press release dated October 29, 2018
- <u>99.2</u> The Cordillera Acquisition: Investor Presentation dated October 29, 2018

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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.

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY

BY: /s/ Douglas F. Lyons Douglas F. Lyons Senior Vice President, Controller and Treasurer (Principal Accounting Officer) Dated: October 31, 2018

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