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November 06, 2013

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): November 6, 2013

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 001-31775 86-1062192 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) File Number) (IRS employer identification number)

14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 1100

Dallas, Texas 75254
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (972) 490-9600

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ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On November 6, 2013, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. ("Ashford Trust" or the "Company") announced that, in connection with the previously announced spin-off of Ashford Hospitality Prime, Inc. (NYSE: AHP) ("Ashford Prime"), shares of Ashford Prime common stock and Ashford Trust common stock ex-distribution are expected to begin trading today on a "when-issued" basis on the New York Stock Exchange, under the symbols "AHP WI" and "AHT WI," respectively, and continuing through November 19, 2013 (the "Distribution Date"). Shares of Ashford Trust common stock that trade in the "regular-way" market under the symbol "AHT" will continue to trade with an entitlement to shares of common stock of Ashford Prime distributed pursuant to the spin-off up to the Distribution Date.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number

99.1 Press Release of the Company announcing the beginning of trading of "when-issued" trading in connection with the spin-off of Ashford Prime, dated November 6, 2013.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: November 6, 2013

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ DAVID A. BROOKS David A. Brooks Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel