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May 31, 2016

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): May 31, 2016 (May 27, 2016)

FIDELITY & GUARANTY LIFE

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-36227 46-3489149
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer
of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

Two Ruan Center
601 Locust Street, 14th Floor 50309
Des Moines, IA
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 445-6758

Not Applicable

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

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

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As previously announced, on November 8, 2015, Fidelity & Guaranty Life (the “Company”), Anbang Insurance Group Co., Ltd. (“Anbang”) and certain of their related entities entered into a definitive merger agreement (such merger, the “Merger”). Anbang has notified the Company that it plans to refile its insurance regulatory change of control application with respect to the Merger with the New York Department of Financial Services (the “NY Application”) following the withdrawal of such application by Anbang on May 27, 2016. The withdrawal of the NY Application was made without prejudice to Anbang’s ability to refile the NY Application and after discussion with the New York Department of Financial Services. The Company expects that Anbang and its subsidiaries will refile the NY Application in the near future. Anbang also continues to work with the Iowa Insurance Division to secure regulatory approval for the Merger. The parties are committed to securing the remaining regulatory approvals and seek to close the Merger as expeditiously as possible, however, the closing of the Merger, and the timing thereof, is subject to the regulatory review and approval process.

Forward-Looking Statements

“Safe Harbor” Statement Under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: This Form 8-K contains, and certain oral statements made by our representatives from time to time may contain, forward-looking statements, including those statements regarding the Merger, the insurance regulatory approval process for the closing of the Merger, timing of closing of the Merger and other related matters. All forward-looking statements address matters that involve risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond the Company’s control. Such statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results, events and developments to differ materially from those set forth in, or implied by, such statements and, therefore, you should not place undue reliance on any such statements. These statements are based on the beliefs and assumptions of the Company’s management and the management of the Company’s subsidiaries. Generally, forward-looking statements include information concerning current expectations, other actions, events, results, strategies and expectations and are generally, but not always, identifiable by use of the words “believes,” “expects,” “intends,” “anticipates,” “plans,” “seeks,” “estimates,” “projects,” “may,” “will,” “could,” “might” or similar expressions. No forward-looking statement can be guaranteed. Among other risks, there can be no guarantee that the Merger will be completed within the anticipated time frame or at all. Factors that could cause actual results, events and developments to differ include, without limitation: the occurrence of any event, change or other circumstances that could give rise to the termination of the Merger agreement; the outcome of any legal proceedings that may be instituted against the Company or Anbang and others in connection with the Merger agreement; the inability to complete the Merger due to the failure to satisfy the conditions to the Merger, including the inability of Anbang to secure necessary regulatory approvals; risks that the Merger disrupts current plans and operations and potential difficulties in employee retention as a result of the Merger; and legislative, regulatory and economic developments. The foregoing review of important factors should not be construed as exhaustive and should be read in conjunction with the other cautionary statements that are included herein and elsewhere, including the risk factors included in the Company’s most recent reports on Form 10-K and Form 10-Q and other documents of the Company on file with, or furnished to, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company does not undertake any obligation to update or revise forward-looking statements to reflect changed assumptions, the occurrence of future events or changes to future operating results.

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.

May 31, 2016 Fidelity & Guaranty Life

By: /s/ Eric L. Marhoun

Name: Eric L. Marhoun

Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary