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Philip Morris International Inc.
Form 8-K
March 04, 2019

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): March 4, 2019

Philip Morris International Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Virginia | 1-33708 | 13-3435103 |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |

120 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10017-5592
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (917) 663-2000
(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:

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 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.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 4, 2019, Philip Morris International Inc. issued a press release announcing that, as a result of a judgment in two smoking and health class actions in Québec against its Canadian subsidiary, Rothmans, Benson & Hedges Inc., issued on March 1, 2019, it will incur in its consolidated results a pre-tax charge of \$194 million, representing approximately \$142 million net of tax, in the first quarter 2019, recorded as tobacco litigation-related expenses. The press release, attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated by reference to this item 7.01, describes the impact of this charge on the company's full-year 2019 reported diluted earnings per share forecast.

PMI is not a party to the cases.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 hereto, shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as may be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing or document.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

- 99.1 Philip Morris International Inc. Press Release, dated March 4, 2019 (furnished pursuant to Item 7.01).
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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.

**PHILIP MORRIS
INTERNATIONAL INC.**

By: /s/ JERRY WHITSON

Name: Jerry Whitson

Title: Deputy General Counsel
and Corporate Secretary

DATE: March 4, 2019