[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 25, 2017, Unum Group issued a news release announcing that its Board of Directors has authorized the repurchase of up to \$750 million of its common stock through November 25, 2018. This new authorization replaces the previous authorization of \$750 million that was scheduled to expire on November 26, 2017. The timing and amount of any share repurchases under the new authorization, which may be made in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, including accelerated share repurchase transactions, will be determined by management based on market conditions and other considerations. The program may be modified, extended or terminated by the Board of Directors at any time. A copy of the news release concerning the share repurchase authorization is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed with this report:
- 99.1 News release of Unum Group dated May 25, 2017, concerning share repurchase authorization.

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.

Unum Group (Registrant)

Date: May 25, 2017 By: /s/ J. Paul Jullienne

Name: J. Paul Jullienne

Title: Vice President, Managing Counsel

and Corporate Secretary

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