RENT A CENTER INC DE Form 8-K March 16, 2017

**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 16, 2017

RENT-A-CENTER, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

45-0491516 Delaware 0-25370 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission (IRS Employer incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification No.) 5501 Headquarters Drive

Plano, Texas 75024

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(972) 801-1100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

<sup>&</sup>quot;Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425).

<sup>&</sup>quot;Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12).

<sup>&</sup>quot;Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)).

<sup>&</sup>quot;Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)).

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 16, 2017, the Company issued a press release announcing key operating metrics for its Core U.S. and Acceptance NOW businesses for February 2017.

The press release containing this announcement is furnished as Exhibit 99.1.

None of the information contained in Item 7.01 or Exhibit 99.1 of this Form 8-K shall be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and none of it shall be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Furthermore, this report will not be deemed an admission as to the materiality of any information in the report that is required to be disclosed solely by Regulation FD.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release issued on March 16, 2017, by Rent-A-Center, Inc.

#### **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.

RENT-A-CENTER, INC.

Date: March 16, 2017 By: /s/ Dawn M. Wolverton

Dawn M. Wolverton Vice President – Assistant General

Counsel and Secretary

# EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release issued on March 16, 2017, by Rent-A-Center, Inc.