

MKS INSTRUMENTS INC  
Form 8-K  
October 03, 2016

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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):

October 3, 2016

**MKS Instruments, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts

000-23621

04-2277512

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

2 Tech Drive, Suite 201, Andover,  
Massachusetts

01810

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

978-645-5500

Not Applicable

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



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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On October 3, 2016, MKS Instruments, Inc. announced that it had made a \$60 million voluntary principal prepayment on its term loan and entered into an interest rate swap agreement to fix the rate on approximately 50% of its remaining outstanding term loan balance. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

99.1 Press Release issued by MKS Instruments, Inc. on October 3, 2016

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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.

MKS Instruments, Inc.

*October 3, 2016*

By: */s/ Seth H. Bagshaw*

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*Name: Seth H. Bagshaw*

*Title: Vice President, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer*

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<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release issued by MKS Instruments, Inc. on October 3, 2016