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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 8, 2016**

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**ENERGY TRANSFER EQUITY, L.P.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-32740**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**30-0108820**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**8111 Westchester Drive, Suite 600**  
**Dallas, Texas 75225**  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**(214) 981-0700**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

As a follow up to the announcement on February 5, 2016 regarding the replacement of Jamie Welch as the Chief Financial Officer of Energy Transfer Equity, L.P. (the "Partnership") with Thomas E. Long, currently the Chief Financial Officer of Energy Transfer Partners, L.P., the Partnership has initiated discussions with Mr. Welch towards a potential consulting arrangement related primarily to the continued development of the Partnership's LNG export project as well as other financing matters although, at this time, no agreements have been reached. In addition, in response to inquiries from various parties, the Partnership affirms that the replacement of Mr. Welch as Chief Financial Officer of the Partnership was not based on any disagreement with respect to any accounting or financial matter involving the Partnership or any of its affiliates.

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.

**Energy Transfer Equity, L.P.**

By: LE GP, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ John W. McReynolds

John W. McReynolds  
President

Dated: February 8, 2016