

**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 – July 22, 2005
(Date of earliest event reported)

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-24206
(Commission File Number)

23-2234473
(IRS Employer
Identification
Number)

825 Berkshire Blvd., Suite 200, Wyomissing Professional Center, Wyomissing, PA 19610
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Area Code (610) 373-2400
(Registrant's telephone number)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 40.13e-4(c))

Item 2.01 Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

As of July 22, 2005, the Joint Plan (the "Joint Plan") proposed on July 6, 2005 by Hollywood Casino Shreveport ("HCS"); HCS I, Inc. and HCS II, Inc., the general partners of Hollywood Casino Shreveport; HWCC-Louisiana, Inc., the parent company of both HCS I, Inc. and HCS II, Inc., Shreveport Capital Corporation and HCS-Golf Course, LLC (collectively, the "Debtors") together with the Bondholders Committee, which was confirmed by an order of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Louisiana (the "Bankruptcy Court") on July 6, 2005, became effective. HCS owns and operates the Hollywood Casino Shreveport resort, consisting of a 403-room hotel and a riverboat dockside casino. As a result, Penn National Gaming, Inc. (the "Company") will no longer have any ownership interest in the Debtors. Prior to the restructuring, all of the Debtors were indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company.

As previously disclosed, on October 18, 2004, HCS, acting by and through HCS I, Inc., entered into a definitive Investment Agreement (the "Agreement") with Eldorado Resorts, LLC ("Eldorado"), Eldorado Shreveport #1, LLC and Eldorado Shreveport #2, LLC (together with Eldorado Shreveport #1, LLC, the "Investors") providing for the acquisition of the reorganized HCS by the Investors. The Investors are each an affiliate of Eldorado. The terms of the Agreement, which provides for a financial restructuring of HCS that reduces outstanding secured debt obligations and annual cash interest payments, were incorporated in the Joint Plan.

Under the Joint Plan, holders of the Shreveport First Mortgage Notes and Senior Secured Notes (collectively, the "Shreveport Notes") receive (1) \$140 million of new, 10% senior secured notes due 2012 and (2) 100% of the common stock of a corporation that will hold a \$20 million preferred equity interest which will accrue distributions at an annual rate of 13% and a 25% non-voting equity interest in the reorganized HCS. In addition, the Investors acquired a 75% voting equity interest in the reorganized HCS.

There are no material relationships between the Company or its affiliates and the Investors or the Bondholders Committee other than with respect to the Joint Plan. The foregoing description of the Joint Plan and the transactions contemplated thereby does not purport to be complete and is

