

ALLSTATE CORP
Form 8-K
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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): August 1, 2014

THE ALLSTATE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other
jurisdiction of
incorporation)

1-11840
(Commission
File Number)

36-3871531
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

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2775 Sanders Road, Northbrook, Illinois 60062

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(847) 402-5000**

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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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Section 8 Other Events

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On August 1, 2014, the Registrant entered into an accelerated share repurchase agreement with Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC (Morgan Stanley), to purchase \$750 million of its outstanding common stock. The majority of the shares to be repurchased under this agreement will be received by the Registrant at the agreement's inception. It is expected that Morgan Stanley will purchase the shares that it delivers under the agreement in the market within a timeframe not to exceed four and one half months. The final purchase price per share and number of shares to be delivered by Morgan Stanley will be determined at the conclusion of the agreement and settlement will consist of the Registrant receiving shares based on the average of the daily volume weighted average prices of the Registrant's common stock during the period of Morgan Stanley purchases. If the Registrant is required to pay a settlement amount, the Registrant may elect to settle in cash or shares of its common stock.

The agreement is part of the Registrant's repurchase program totaling \$2.5 billion that was announced on February 19, 2014. All of the shares acquired by the Registrant under the agreement will be placed into its treasury.

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.

THE ALLSTATE CORPORATION
(Registrant)

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| By: | /s/ Katherine A. Smith |
| Name: | Katherine A. Smith |
| Title: | Assistant Secretary |

Date: August 1, 2014