OLIN CORP Form 425 August 17, 2015

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 17, 2015

#### **OLIN CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia 1-1070 13-1872319

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

190 Carondelet Plaza, Suite 1530

Clayton, MO

63105

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(314) 480-1400

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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):

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

As previously disclosed, on March 27, 2015, Olin Corporation ("Olin") and The Dow Chemical Company ("TDCC") announced that they and certain affiliates had entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") dated March 26, 2015 among Olin, TDCC, Blue Cube Acquisition Corp. ("Merger Sub") and Blue Cube Spinco Inc. ("Spinco"), pursuant to which, subject to the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement and a Separation Agreement dated March 26, 2015 between TDCC and Spinco, (1) TDCC will transfer its U.S. Gulf Coast Chlor-Alkali and Vinyl, Global Chlorinated Organics and Global Epoxy businesses to Spinco, (2) TDCC will distribute Spinco's stock to TDCC's shareholders by way of a split-off or a combination of a split-off and a spin-off, and (3) Merger Sub will merge with and into Spinco, with Spinco as the surviving corporation (the "Merger").

On August 17, 2015, Olin announced that it has filed a definitive proxy statement with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission regarding the pending transaction with TDCC and has set the date for a special meeting of shareholders to approve the issuance of shares of Olin common stock in the Merger and an amendment to Olin's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of Olin common stock.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibit

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release announcing the date of the special meeting, dated August 17, 2015.

#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

#### **OLIN CORPORATION**

By:/s/ George H. Pain Name: George H. Pain

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Date: August 17, 2015

## EXHIBIT INDEX

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