EQUITY RESIDENTIAL Form 8-K January 30, 2018

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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): January 30, 2018

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland 1-12252 13-3675988 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer

of Incorporation or Organization) File Number) Identification No.)

Two North Riverside Plaza

Chicago, Illinois 60606 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (312) 474-1300

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 30, 2018, Equity Residential issued a press release announcing its results of operations and financial condition as of December 31, 2017 and for the year and quarter then ended. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1. The information contained in this Item 2.02 on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission nor incorporated by reference in any registration statement filed by Equity Residential under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

Selected financial results and related information of Equity Residential for the year and quarter ended December 31, 2017 is filed as Exhibit 99.2 hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Exhibit

- 99.1 Press Release dated January 30, 2018, announcing the results of operations and financial condition of Equity Residential as of December 31, 2017 and for the year and quarter then ended.
- 99.2 <u>Selected financial results and related information of Equity Residential for the year and quarter ended</u> December 31, 2017.

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.

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL

Date: January 30, 2018 By: /s/ Ian S. Kaufman

Name: Ian S. Kaufman

Its: Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

(Principal Accounting Officer)