UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITY EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 16, 2017

CHURCHILL DOWNS

INCORPORAT (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Kentucky (State of incorporation) 001-33998 (Commission file number) <u>61-0156015</u> (IRS Employer Identification No.)

600 North Hurstbourne Parkway, Suite 400, Louisville, Kentucky 40222 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

<u>(502) 636-4400</u>

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- [] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (18 CFR 230.425)
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- [] 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))

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

A copy of the news release issued by Churchill Downs Incorporated (the "Company") on February 16, 2017 announcing an updated definition of Adjusted EBITDA is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. The prior year amounts were reclassified to conform to this presentation and are attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated February 16, 2017 issued by Churchill Downs Incorporated.

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 thereunto, duly authorized.

February 16, 2017

CHURCHILL DOWNS INCORPORATED

/s/ Marcia A. Dall By: Marcia A. Dall Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer) Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release dated February 16, 2017 issued by Churchill Downs Incorporated.

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CHURCHILL DOWNS INCORPORATED ANNOUNCES CHANGE TO NON-GAAP EXTERNAL REPORTING MEASURE

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (February 16, 2017) - Churchill Downs Incorporated (NASDAQ: CHDN) (CDI or Company) today announced the Company will be updating its definition of Adjusted EBITDA, a non-GAAP reporting measure, for external reporting purposes. This change will be made on a prospective basis beginning with our fourth quarter 2016 and full year 2016 business results which will be released following the close of business on February 28, 2017.

After consideration of the Securities and Exchange Commission's updated Compliance & Disclosure Interpretations from May 2016, related to the use of publicly reported non-GAAP financial measures, CDI has decided to exclude changes in Big Fish Games deferred revenue in our computation of Adjusted EBITDA. This is only a change in external non-GAAP financial reporting and has no effect on the Company's business and the Company is not restating any of its prior financial results.

For comparative purposes, please refer to the attached supplemental information which provides quarterly Adjusted EBITDA amounts, as previously defined, compared to the Company's updated definition. Big Fish Games is the only segment impacted for segment reporting purposes.

About Churchill Downs Incorporated

Churchill Downs Incorporated, (CDI) (NASDAQ:CHDN), headquartered in Louisville, Ky., is an industry-leading racing, gaming and online entertainment company anchored by our iconic flagship event - *The Kentucky Derby*. We are a leader in brick-and mortar casino gaming with approximately 9,300 gaming positions in seven states, and we are the largest legal online account wagering platform for horseracing in the U.S., through our ownership of TwinSpires.com. We are also one of the world's largest producers and distributors of mobile games through Big Fish Games, Inc. Additional information about CDI can be found online at <u>www.churchilldownsincorporated.com</u>.

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CHURCHILL DOWNS INCORPORATED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION - UPDATED ADJUSTED EBITDA DEFINITION FOR EXTERNAL REPORTING PURPOSES (unaudited)

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2016									
(in millions)	First	Quarter		Second Quarter	Third Quarter					
Adjusted EBITDA, as previously defined	\$	52.8	\$	162.9	\$	67.3				
Change in Big Fish Games deferred revenue		(6.1)		(2.7)		3.8				
Adjusted EBITDA, as updated	\$	46.7	\$	160.2	\$	71.1				

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2015									
	First Quarter		Second Quarter		Third Quarter		Fourth Quarter			Total
Adjusted EBITDA, as previously defined ¹ Change in Big Fish Games deferred revenue	\$	49.8 (12.9)	\$	158.9 (8.2)	\$	72.2 (10.9)	\$	61.1 (7.5)	\$	342.0 (39.5)
Adjusted EBITDA, as updated	\$	36.9	\$	150.7	\$	61.3	\$	53.6	\$	302.5

¹During 2016, we updated our definition of Adjusted EBITDA to exclude depreciation and amortization from our equity investments. The prior year amounts were reclassified to conform to this presentation.

Non-GAAP Measures

In addition to the results provided in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), the Company also uses non-GAAP measures, including EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization) and Adjusted EBITDA ("Adjusted EBITDA").

Adjusted EBITDA includes:

CDI's portion of the EBITDA from our equity investments

Adjusted EBITDA excludes:

- Acquisition expense, net which includes:
 - · Acquisition-related charges, including fair value adjustments related to earnouts and deferred payments; and
 - Transaction expense, including legal, accounting, and other deal-related expense
- Stock-based compensation expense;
- Calder exit costs; and
- Other charges and recoveries

The Company uses Adjusted EBITDA as a key performance measure of the results of operations for purposes of evaluating performance internally. The measure facilitates comparison of operating performance between periods and helps investors to better understand the operating results of CDI by excluding certain items that may not be indicative of the Company's core business or operating results. The Company believes the use of this measure enables management and investors to evaluate and compare, from period to period, the Company's operating

performance in a meaningful and consistent manner. Adjusted EBITDA is a supplemental measure of our performance that is not required by or presented in accordance with GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to, or more meaningful than, net income (as determined in accordance with GAAP) as a measure of our operating results.

CHURCHILL DOWNS INCORPORATED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION - UPDATED ADJUSTED EBITDA DEFINITION FOR EXTERNAL REPORTING PURPOSES (unaudited)

The tables below reconcile Comprehensive Income to Adjusted EBITDA:

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2016							
(in millions)		Quarter	Second Quarter		Third Quarter			
Reconciliation of Comprehensive Income to Adjusted EBITDA:								
Comprehensive income	\$	2.8	\$	70.0	\$	8.7		
Foreign currency translation, net of tax	_			(0.2)				
Net income		2.8		69.8		8.7		
Additions:								
Depreciation and amortization		27.0		26.9		27.5		
Interest expense		10.6		11.1		11.1		
Income tax (benefit) provision		(3.8)		41.7		11.7		
EBITDA	\$	36.6	\$	149.5	\$	59.0		
Adjustments to EBITDA:								
Selling, general and administrative:								
Stock-based compensation expense		4.1		5.3		4.9		
Other charges				0.3		3.1		
Other income, expense:								
Interest, depreciation and amortization expense related to equity investments		2.5		2.5		2.5		
Other charges and recoveries, net		0.4						
Acquisition expense, net		2.7		1.1		1.1		
Calder exit costs		0.4		1.5		0.5		
Total adjustments to EBITDA		10.1		10.7		12.1		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	46.7	\$	160.2	\$	71.1		

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CHURCHILL DOWNS INCORPORATED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION - UPDATED ADJUSTED EBITDA DEFINITION FOR EXTERNAL REPORTING PURPOSES (unaudited)

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2015										
(in millions)		First Quarter		Second Quarter		Third Quarter		Fourth Quarter		Total	
Reconciliation of Comprehensive Income (Loss) to Adjusted EBITDA:											
Comprehensive (loss) income	\$	(1.9)	\$	55.0	\$	4.2	\$	7.4	\$	64.7	
Foreign currency translation, net of tax		0.3		0.1				0.1		0.5	
Net (loss) income		(1.6)		55.1		4.2		7.5		65.2	
Additions:											
Depreciation and amortization		27.4		27.3		27.4		27.6		109.7	
Interest expense		7.3		7.1		6.7		7.5		28.6	
Income tax (benefit) provision		(1.2)		46.6		0.7		0.8		46.9	
EBITDA	\$	31.9	\$	136.1	\$	39.0	\$	43.4	\$	250.4	
Adjustments to EBITDA:											
Selling, general and administrative:											
Stock-based compensation expense		2.7		3.4		4.5		3.2		13.8	
Other charges		—		—							
Other income, expense:											
Interest, depreciation and amortization		2.0		2.2		2.2		2.1		0.5	
expense related to equity investments		2.0		2.2		2.2		2.1		8.5	
Other charges and recoveries, net		(6.1)				0.1		0.2		(5.8)	
Acquisition expense, net		6.4		8.2		2.8		4.3		21.7	
Calder exit costs				0.8		12.7		0.4		13.9	
Total adjustments to EBITDA		5.0		14.6		22.3		10.2		52.1	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	36.9	\$	150.7	\$	61.3	\$	53.6	\$	302.5	

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