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) March 24, 2017

Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-4534 (Commission File Number) 23-1274455 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

7201 Hamilton Boulevard, Allentown, Pennsylvania (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 18195-1501 (Zip Code)

 ${\bf (610)\ 481\text{-}4911}$ Registrant's telephone number, including area code

not applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

ck 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 risions (See General Instruction A.2. below):
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<u>Item 8.01.</u>

Air Products announced that it has determined it is not in the best interests of Air Products' shareholders to continue to pursue an acquisition of Yingde Gases Group Co. Ltd. at this time.

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.

Dated: March 24, 2017

AIR PRODUCTS AND CHEMICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Mary T. Afflerbach

Mary T. Afflerbach Vice President, Corporate Secretary, Chief Governance Officer and Interim General Counsel