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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): February 1, 2010

#### COVANTA HOLDING CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-6732 95-6021257
(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer

incorporation)

40 Lane Road, Fairfield, New Jersey 07004

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (973) 882-9000

N/A

(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 Instructions A.2.):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Identification No.)

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

On February 1, 2010, Covanta Holding Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the Company), announced that it had completed the final stage of its acquisition of most of the North American Energy-from-Waste business of Veolia Environmental Services North America Corp. (VESNA) pursuant to the Share Purchase Agreement, dated July 3, 2009, by and between VESNA and the Company. The acquisition was previously announced on July 6, 2009.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

## Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

#### **Exhibit No. Description**

99.1 Press Release, dated February 1, 2010, issued by Covanta Holding Corporation.

INFORMATION CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS Certain statements in this press release may constitute forward-looking statements as defined in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 (the Securities Act ), Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ), the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the PSLRA) or in releases made by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), all as may be amended from time to time. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that could cause the actual results, performance or achievements of Covanta and its subsidiaries, or general industry or broader economic performance in global markets in which Covanta operates or competes, to differ materially from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Statements that are not historical fact are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements can be identified by, among other things, the use of forward-looking language, such as anticipate, the words plan. estimate. believe. expect. intend. project. could. scheduled to, or other similar words, or the negative of these terms or other variations of these terms or comparable language, or by discussion of strategy or intentions. These cautionary statements are being made pursuant to the Securities Act, the Exchange Act and the PSLRA with the intention of obtaining the benefits of the safe harbor provisions of such laws. Covanta cautions investors that any forward-looking statements made by Covanta are not guarantees or indicative of future performance. Important assumptions and other important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those forward-looking statements with respect to Covanta include risks and uncertainties that are described in periodic securities filings by Covanta with the SEC. Although Covanta believes that its plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by such forward-looking statements are reasonable, actual results could differ materially from a projection or assumption in any forward-looking statements. Covanta s future financial condition and results of operations, as well as any forward-looking statements, are subject to change and inherent risks and uncertainties. The forward-looking statements contained in this press release are made only as of the date hereof and Covanta does not have or undertake any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, subsequent events or otherwise, unless otherwise required by law.

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## **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.

## **COVANTA HOLDING CORPORATION**

Date: February 1, 2010 By: /s/ Timothy J. Simpson

Timothy J. Simpson

Executive Vice President,

General Counsel and Secretary

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