MGP INGREDIENTS INC Form 8-K March 14, 2019

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 11, 2019

MGP Ingredients, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

KANSAS0-1719645-4082531(State or other jurisdiction(Commission (IRS Employer<br/>File Number) Identification No.)

Cray Business Plaza 100 Commercial Street Box 130 Atchison, Kansas 66002 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(913) 367-1480 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 14, 2019, MGP Ingredients, Inc. (the "Company") announced the departure of Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Tom Pigott, effective as of March 29, 2019. Mr. Pigott is leaving the Company to pursue other opportunities.

In addition, the Company announced the promotion of Brandon Gall to Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, effective April 1, 2019. In this capacity, Mr. Gall will serve as the Company's principal financial and principal accounting officer.

Mr. Gall, 37, has served as the Company's Corporate Controller since June 2018. Previously he served as Director of Supply Chain and New Business Development Finance from May 2014 through May 2018. He served as Director of Financial Planning and Analysis from January 2012 through April 2014.

Mr. Gall will have a base salary of \$285,000. For 2019, Mr. Gall's target short-term incentive award under the Company's Short-Term Incentive Plan for the attainment of the Company's performance measures will be 50% of his base salary. Mr. Gall will be eligible to participate in the Company's long-term equity incentive ("LTI") program, with an award for each year as determined by the Compensation Committee. Mr. Gall will receive an award pursuant to the Company's Equity Plan. The 2019 award will vary depending on the Company's performance measured against the performance measures, with a target award of 65% of his base salary.

There is no arrangement or understanding between Mr. Gall and any other persons pursuant to which Mr. Gall was designated as the Company's principal accounting officer. There are no family relationships between Mr. Gall and any director or executive officer of the Company and no transactions involving Mr. Gall that would require disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K. The changes described in this filing are not the result of any matter relating to the Company's accounting practices or financial statements.

Attached as Exhibit 99.1, and incorporated into this Item 5.02 by reference, is a press release relating to the appointment of Mr. Gall and the departure of Mr. Pigott.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits. (d) Exhibits Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press release dated March 14, 2019

## 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.

## MGP INGREDIENTS, INC.

Date: March 14, 2019 By:/s/ Thomas J. Lynn Thomas J. Lynn, Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary