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): October 17, 2019

Crown Castle International Corp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-16441

76-0470458

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1220 Augusta Drive, Suite 600, Houston, Texas 77057-2261 (Address of principal executives office) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 570-3000

(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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Trading Symbols | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|---|-----------------|---|
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | CCI | New York Stock Exchange |
| 6.875% Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A, \$0.01 par value | CCI.PRA | New York Stock Exchange |

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2). 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 7.01 - REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On October 17, 2019, Crown Castle International Corp. ("Company") issued a press release noting that the Company's Board of Directors has declared a quarterly dividend of \$1.20 per share of the Company common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, payable on December 31, 2019 to stockholders of record at the close of business on December 13, 2019. The October 17, 2019 press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Index

As described in Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K ("Form 8-K"), Exhibit 99.1 is furnished as part of this Form 8-K:

Exhibit No.

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Description

99.1 Press Release dated October 17, 2019

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The information in Item 7.01 and Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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.

CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP.

By: /s/ Kenneth J. Simon

Name: Kenneth J. Simon Title: Senior Vice President

and General Counsel

Date: October 17, 2019



NEWS RELEASE October 17, 2019

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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CROWN CASTLE DECLARES QUARTERLY COMMON STOCK DIVIDEND

October 17, 2019 - HOUSTON, TEXAS - Crown Castle International Corp. (NYSE: CCI) ("Crown Castle") announced today that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$1.20 per common share. The quarterly dividend will be payable on December 31, 2019 to common stockholders of record at the close of business on December 13, 2019. Future dividends are subject to the approval of the Company's Board of Directors.

ABOUT CROWN CASTLE

Crown Castle owns, operates and leases more than 40,000 cell towers and more than 75,000 route miles of fiber supporting small cells and fiber solutions across every major U.S. market. This nationwide portfolio of communications infrastructure connects cities and communities to essential data, technology and wireless service - bringing information, ideas and innovations to the people and businesses that need them. For more information on Crown Castle, please visit <u>www.crowncastle.com</u>.