GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP Form 8-K January 22, 2014

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) January 22, 2014 (January 22, 2014)

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 1-3671 (Commission

13-1673581 (IRS Employer

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of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

2941 Fairview Park Drive, Suite 100, Falls Church, 22042-4513

Virginia

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(703) 876-3000

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(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:

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 22, 2014, General Dynamics Corporation entered into an accelerated share repurchase agreement with a financial institution to repurchase 11.4 million shares of General Dynamics common stock, pursuant to the company s previously announced share repurchase program. The estimated value of the repurchase transaction is approximately \$1.1 billion.

Under the agreement, General Dynamics will immediately purchase shares from a financial institution, who will purchase an equivalent number of shares on the open market. General Dynamics may receive, or be required to remit, a price adjustment based on a volume weighted average price of General Dynamics common stock. The ASR transaction is subject to customary terms and conditions and is expected to be completed no later than the fourth quarter of 2014.

Certain statements made in this Form 8-K may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. Forward-looking statements are based on management s expectations, estimates, projections and assumptions. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks and uncertainties, which are difficult to predict. Therefore, actual future results and trends may differ materially from what is forecast in forward-looking statements due to a variety of factors. Additional information regarding these factors is contained in the company s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including, without limitation, its Annual Report on Form 10-K and its Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q.

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.

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION

by /s/ Kimberly A. Kuryea Kimberly A. Kuryea

Vice President and Controller

(Authorized Officer and Chief Accounting Officer)

Dated: January 22, 2014