REALTY INCOME CORP Form 8-K March 03, 2017

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: **February 27, 2017** (Date of Earliest Event Reported)

REALTY INCOME CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 1-13374 (Commission File Number)

33-0580106 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

11995 El Camino Real, San Diego, California 92130

(Address of principal executive offices)

(858) 284-5000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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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 February 27, 2017, Realty Income Corporation (the Company) entered into a purchase agreement with Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as representatives of the underwriters listed therein (the Underwriters), pursuant to which the Company agreed to issue and sell 10,850,000 shares of the Company s common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the Common Stock), plus up to an additional 1,627,500 shares of Common Stock if the Underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional shares of Common Stock in full. The public offering price for the shares was \$62.00 per share.

The transaction closed on March 3, 2017. Total net proceeds of the offering (after deducting the underwriting discount and other estimated expenses) were approximately \$645.5 million. The Company expects to use the net proceeds from the offering to repay a portion of the borrowings outstanding under its \$2.0 billion revolving credit facility and, to the extent not used for that purpose, to fund potential investment opportunities and/or for other general corporate purposes.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
- 1.1 Purchase Agreement, dated February 27, 2017, between the Underwriters and the Company.
- 5.1 Opinion of Venable LLP.
- 23.1 Consent of Venable LLP (contained in the opinion filed as Exhibit 5.1 hereto).

SIGNATURE

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 3, 2017 REALTY INCOME CORPORATION

By: /s/ MICHAEL R. PFEIFFER

Michael R. Pfeiffer

Executive Vice President, General Counsel

and Secretary

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Exhibit No.	Description
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