Genie Energy Ltd. Form 8-K March 29, 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 (Date of earliest event reported): March 29, 2017

GENIE ENERGY LTD.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

1-35327

(Commission File Number)

Delaware45-2069276(State or other jurisdiction(IRS Employer)

of incorporation) Identification No.)

520 Broad Street

07102

Newark, New Jersey (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (973) 438-3500

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 (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))

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 29, 2017, Genie Energy Ltd. (the "Registrant") posted the attached release (the "Release") to the investor relations page of the Registrant's website (www.genie.com) relating to the Registrant's forthcoming dividend. A copy of the Release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The Registrant is furnishing the information contained in this Report, including Exhibit 99.1, pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). This information shall not be deemed to be "filed" with the SEC or incorporated by reference into any other filing with the SEC.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

The information contained in Item 7.01 above is incorporated herein by reference into this Item 8.01.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Document 99.1 Release, dated March 29, 2017.

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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.

GENIE ENERGY LTD.

By: /s/ Howard S. Jonas Name: Howard S. Jonas Title: Chief Executive Officer

Dated: March 29, 2017

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Exhibit Index

Exhibit No. Document 99.1 Release, dated March 29, 2017.

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