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**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): November 4, 2014 (November 3, 2014)

**USG** Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 1-8864

Delaware 36-3329400

(State or other jurisdiction (IRS Employer Identification No.)

of incorporation)

550 West Adams Street, Chicago, Illinois 60661-3676 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number,

including area code (312) 436-4000

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## Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On November 3, 2014, USG Corporation (the "Company") entered into binding memoranda of understanding to settle all claims made against the Company and its subsidiary, United States Gypsum Company, in the direct and indirect purchaser class actions consolidated in the lawsuit, In re: Domestic Drywall Antitrust Litigation, MDL No. 2437, pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Pursuant to the binding memoranda of understanding, which were entered into with counsel representing the direct purchaser and indirect purchaser classes in the lawsuit, the Company has agreed to pay a total of \$48 million in cash to settle the claims. Of the \$48 million settlement payment, \$39.25 million will be allocated to the direct purchaser class settlement fund and \$8.75 million will be allocated to the indirect purchaser class settlement fund. The Company anticipates entering into long-form settlement agreements memorializing the terms of the binding memoranda of understanding, which long-form settlement agreements will be subject to court approval. The memoranda of understanding, in which the Company denies all wrongdoing, also include releases of the Company as well as its subsidiaries, affiliates, and other related parties, for the time period from January 1, 2012 through the date of execution of the long-form settlement agreement.

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## **SIGNATURE**

Date:

November 4, 2014

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.

USG CORPORATION

Registrant

By: /s/ Stanley L. Ferguson

Stanley L. Ferguson, Executive Vice President General Counsel and Secretary