

**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): June 1, 2020**

**SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other  
jurisdiction)

**001-34037**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**75-2379388**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**1001 Louisiana Street, Suite 2900**  
**Houston, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**77002**  
(Zip Code)

**(713) 654-2200**  
(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:

- 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 symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock	SPN	New York Stock Exchange

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

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.

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**Item 1.02. Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement**

As previously disclosed, on December 18, 2019, Superior Energy Services, Inc. (the “Company”), together with one of its subsidiaries, entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (as amended, the “Merger Agreement”) with Forbes Energy Services Ltd. and certain of its subsidiaries.

On June 1, 2020, the Company provided notice of termination of the Merger Agreement to Forbes because the mergers contemplated by the Merger Agreement were not consummated by May 31, 2020. The termination came in response to the unpredictable economic conditions resulting from the global health crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and the decline in oil and gas prices, which made it impractical for the Company and Forbes to complete the strategic transaction on the terms originally contemplated by the Merger Agreement. Neither the Company nor Forbes will be responsible to pay the other party any termination fee under the Merger Agreement as a result of the Merger Agreement being terminated.

