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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**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): **February 2, 2017**

**ACME UNITED CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Connecticut**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or  
organization)

**001-07698**  
(Commission file number)

**06-0236700**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**55 Walls Drive, Fairfield, Connecticut**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**06824**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(203) 254-6060**

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)
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- 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 1.01. REGISTRANT'S BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS.**

On February 1, 2017, Acme United Corporation issued a press release announcing that it had agreed to acquire the assets of Spill Magic, Inc., for \$7.2 million in cash. Based in Santa Ana, CA, Spill Magic is a leader in absorbents that encapsulate spills into dry powders that can be safely disposed. Additional information related to the acquisition of Spill Magic can be found in the Company's press release dated February 1, 2017. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report.

(c) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release dated February 1, 2017.

**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.

ACME UNITED CORPORATION

By \_\_\_\_\_ /s/ Walter C. Johnsen  
Walter C. Johnsen  
Chairman and  
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: February 2, 2017

By \_\_\_\_\_ /s/ Paul G. Driscoll  
Paul G. Driscoll  
Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: February 2, 2017

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Press release dated February 1, 2017.

**ACME UNITED CORPORATION**

**NEWS RELEASE**

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE February 1, 2017

ACME UNITED CORPORATION ACQUIRES ASSETS OF SPILL MAGIC, INC.

*Provides World-Class Fluid-Absorbent Solutions for Safety*

FAIRFIELD, CONN. – February 1, 2017 – Acme United Corporation (NYSE MKT:ACU) today announced that it has acquired the assets of Spill Magic, Inc. for \$7.2 million in cash. Spill Magic had revenues in 2016 of \$6.3 million and EBITDA of approximately \$1.4 million. The acquisition is expected to be accretive during 2017.

Spill Magic is a leader in absorbents that encapsulate spills into dry powders that can be safely disposed. Many large retail chains use its products to remove liquids from broken glass containers, oil and gas spills, bodily fluids, and solvents. Its easy-to-use and environmentally friendly products permanently absorb the spills, leaving the floors underneath dry and reducing injuries from falls. Spill Magic also sells spill clean-up kits and blood borne pathogen kits for the safety market.

Spill Magic is located in Santa Ana, California and Smyrna, Tennessee, and began operations in 1995. The company employs 22 people.

Walter C. Johnsen, Chairman and CEO of Acme United, said, “Spill Magic complements Acme United’s existing products within the office, industrial, retail, food service, and safety markets. We intend to keep the Spill Magic operations at their current locations while expanding the business and distribution through Acme United’s broad customer base, innovation, and global reach.”

Further information on Spill Magic is available at its website, [www.spillmagic.com](http://www.spillmagic.com).

**ACME UNITED CORPORATION** is an innovative supplier of cutting devices and safety products for school, home, office, hardware and industrial use. Its leading brands include Westcott®, Clauss®, Camillus®, CUDA®, PhysiciansCare®, Pac-Kit®, DMT, and First Aid Only®. For more information, visit [www.acmeunited.com](http://www.acmeunited.com).

Forward-looking statements in this report, including without limitation, statements related to the Company's plans, strategies, objectives, expectations, intentions and adequacy of resources, are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Investors are cautioned that such forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties including, without limitation, the following: (i) changes in the Company's plans, strategies, objectives, expectations and intentions, which may be made at any time at the discretion of the Company; (ii) the impact of uncertainties in global economic conditions, including the impact on the Company's suppliers and customers (iii) changes in client needs and consumer spending habits; (iv) the impact of competition and technological changes on the company (v) the Company's ability to manage its growth effectively, including its ability to successfully integrate any business it might acquire; (vi) currency fluctuations; and (vii) other risks and uncertainties indicated from time to time in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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