UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-A

For Registration of Certain Classes of Securities Pursuant to Section 12(b) or (g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

PQ GROUP HOLDINGS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

300 Lindenwood Drive Valleybrooke Corporate Center Malvern, Pennsylvania (Address of principal executive offices) 81-3406833 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> 19355 (Zip Code)

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class to be so registered Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share Name of each exchange on which each class is to be registered New York Stock Exchange

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c) or (e), check the following box.

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d) or (e), check the following box.

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Securities Act registration statement or Regulation A offering statement file number to which this form relates: 333-218650

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

Item 1. Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered.

PQ Group Holdings Inc. (the "Registrant") hereby incorporates by reference the description of its common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, to be registered hereunder, contained under the heading "Description of Capital Stock" in the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-218650), as originally filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on June 9, 2017, as amended (the "Registration Statement"), and in the prospectus included in the Registration Statement to be filed separately by the Registrant with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, which prospectus shall be deemed to be incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2. Exhibits.

Pursuant to the Instructions as to Exhibits, no exhibits are filed herewith or incorporated herein by reference.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

Dated: September 29, 2017

PQ GROUP HOLDINGS INC.

 By:
 /s/ Joseph S. Koscinski

 Name:
 Joseph S. Koscinski

 Title:
 Vice President and General Counsel