# 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) – August 13, 2020

### Plains GP Holdings, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

#### 1-36132

(Commission File Number)

90-1005472

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**333 Clay Street, Suite 1600, Houston, Texas 77002** (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

713-646-4100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

	eck the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing owing provisions:	is intended to simultaneously satisfy the fi	iling obligation of the registrant under any of the					
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	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(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered					
	Class A Shares	PAGP	New York Stock Exchange					
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company 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 $\square$							
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. $\Box$								
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## ITEM 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

#### Phantom Unit Grants to Named Executive Officers

On August 13, 2020, the board of directors (the "Board") of PAA GP Holdings LLC ("GP Holdings"), the general partner of Plains GP Holdings, L.P. ("PAGP"), approved grants of phantom units to certain of those individuals who were identified as Named Executive Officers in PAGP's 2020 proxy statement. These phantom unit grants were consistent with the annual LTIP targets disclosed in the 2020 proxy statement. The annual LTIP target values and resulting LTIP grants approved by the Board are set forth below:

	Annual LTIP Award Target		
	Value	2020 Annual	
	(as a percentage of base	LTIP	No. of Phantom
Name and Title	salary)	Award Value	Units Granted <sup>(1)</sup>
Willie Chiang, Chief Executive Officer	500%	\$ 3,000,000	375,940
Al Swanson, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	300%	\$ 1,200,000	150,380
Richard McGee, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary	300%	\$ 1,200,000	150,380
Chris Chandler, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer	300%	\$ 1,200,000	150,380
Jeremy Goebel, Executive Vice President – Commercial	300%	\$ 1,200,000	150,380

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on a volume weighted average price per unit for a 10-day period preceding the date of grant of \$7.98.

The phantom units will vest (become payable 1-for-1 in common units of Plains All American Pipeline, L.P. ("PAA")) as follows: (a) Tranche 1, consisting of 50% of the number of phantom units granted, will vest on the August 2023 distribution date assuming continued service through such date; (b) Tranche 2, consisting of 25% of the number of phantom units granted (assuming 100% payout at target), will potentially vest on the August 2023 distribution date at a scaled payout range of between 0% to 200% based on PAA's total shareholder return (TSR) over the three-year period ending June 30, 2023 compared to the TSR of a selected peer group that includes the S&P 500 Index and the Alerian MLP Index (AMZ) as additional comparators; and (c) Tranche 3, consisting of 25% of the number of phantom units granted (assuming 100% payout at target), will potentially vest on the August 2023 distribution date at a scaled payout range of between 0% to 200% based on (i) PAA achieving cumulative distributable cash flow per common unit equivalent of \$6.00 over the three-year period ending June 30, 2023 and (ii) PAA achieving a leverage ratio as of June 30, 2023 consistent with the leverage ratio assumed in its long term plan as of August 2020. The phantom units include tandem distribution equivalent rights ("DERs") that vest as follows: (a) DERs associated with Tranche 1 will accrue for the first year and be paid in cash in a lump sum on the August 2021 distribution date; beginning in November 2021, DERs associated with Tranche 1 will be paid quarterly until the related phantom units vest; and (b) DERs associated with Tranches 2 and 3 will accrue during the three-year vesting period and be paid in cash in a lump sum on the August 2023 distribution date with respect to each phantom unit that vests on such date.

#### **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.

PLAINS GP HOLDINGS, L.P.

Date: August 19, 2020 By: PAA GP Holdings LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Richard McGee

Name: Richard McGee Title: Executive Vice President

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