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): October 18, 2023

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Two Northshore Center, Pittsburgh, PA 15212-5851

Pennsylvania (State or other jurisdiction of

Incorporation or organization)

0-09115

(Commission

File Number)

25-0644320

(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) (412) 442-8200 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code) Not Applicable (Former name, former address and former fiscal year, 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 kee General Instruction A.2. below): ☐ 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 Class A Common Stock, \$1.00 par value MATW Nasdaq Global Select Market 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 □ 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.

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On October 18, 2023, Matthews International Corporation (the "Company") and Barington Companies Equity Partners, L.P. ("Barington Equity"), Barington Capital Group, L.P. ("Barington Capital") and Barington Companies Management, LLC ("BCM," and, together with Barington Equity and Barington Capital, "Barington") agreed to extend the Agreement (the "Agreement"), dated December 30, 2022, by and among the Company and Barington, in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. The term of the Agreement is now extended to the date that is twenty (20) business days prior to the nomination deadline for the Company's 2025 annual meeting of shareholders.

SIGNATURE

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.

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Steven F. Nicola

Steven F. Nicola Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

Date: October 23, 2023