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): November 10, 2016

TEGNA INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

> 7950 Jones Branch Drive McLean, Virginia (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

1-6961 (Commission File Number) 16-0442930 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

22107-0150 (Zip Code)

(703) 873-6600 Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Dere-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On November 10, 2016, TEGNA Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that its board of directors has approved the re-activation of share repurchases under the Company's share buyback program. The timing and amount of any share repurchases will depend on, among other things, market conditions, the status of the review by the Securities and Exchange Commission of the Cars.com registration statement filed in connection with the proposed spin-off of Cars.com and applicable legal requirements.

A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release issued by TEGNA Inc. on November 10, 2016.

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.

TEGNA INC.

By: /s/ Akin S. Harrison

Akin S. Harrison Vice President, Associate General Counsel and Secretary

Date: November 10, 2016

ExhibitExhibit99.1Press Release issued by TEGNA Inc. on November 10, 2016.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

November 10, 2016

TEGNA Announces Re-activation of Share Repurchases

McLEAN, VA – TEGNA Inc. (NYSE: TGNA) today announced that its Board of Directors has approved a re-activation of share repurchases under the company's share buyback program. Share repurchases under the \$825 million program, approved by the Board in 2015, had been temporarily suspended in connection with the announcement of the planned spin-off of <u>Cars.com</u> on September 7, 2016. Approximately \$478 million remains available under the buyback program, which expires in June 2018. The timing and amount of any share repurchases will depend on, among other things, market conditions, the status of the review by the Securities and Exchange Commission of the <u>Cars.com</u> registration statement filed in connection with the proposed spin-off and applicable legal requirements.

Gracia Martore, president and chief executive officer of TEGNA said, "The re-activation of share repurchase activities reflects TEGNA's ongoing strong operational and financial performance and the Board's confidence in our ability to maintain current cash flow levels and allocate capital strategically."

Martore continued, "At current market prices, we believe TEGNA's stock is undervalued and represents a strong investment opportunity. As we make progress on our plans to spin-off <u>Cars.com</u>, we will continue to take a thoughtful and disciplined approach and will evaluate any stock repurchases through the lens of maximizing value for our shareholders."

About TEGNA

TEGNA Inc. (NYSE: TGNA) is comprised of a dynamic portfolio of media and digital businesses that provide content that matters and brands that deliver. TEGNA reaches more than 90 million Americans and delivers highly relevant, useful and smart content, when and how people need it, to make the best decisions possible. TEGNA Media includes 46 television stations and is the largest independent station group of major network affiliates in the top 25 markets, reaching approximately one-third of all television households nationwide. TEGNA Digital is comprised of Cars.com, the leading online destination for automotive consumers, CareerBuilder, a global leader in human capital solutions, and other powerful brands such as G/O Digital and Cofactor. For more information, visit <u>www.TEGNA.com</u>.

Certain statements in this press release may be forward looking in nature or "forward-looking statements" as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The forward-looking statements contained in this press release are subject to a number of risks, trends and uncertainties that could cause actual performance to differ materially from these forward-looking statements. A number of those risks, trends and uncertainties are discussed in the company's SEC reports, including the company's annual report on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q. Any forward-looking statements in this press release should be evaluated in light of these important risk factors. TEGNA is not responsible for updating the information contained in this press release beyond the published date, or for changes made to this press release by wire services, Internet service providers or other media.

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