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): March 13, 2019

Trecora Resources

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-33926 (Commission File Number) 75-1256622 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1650 Hwy 6 South, Suite 190 Sugar Land, Texas 77478 (Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

(281) 980-5522

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, 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:

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 or Rule

12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Emerging growth company \Box

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 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

As previously announced, Patrick D. Quarles, the Chief Executive Officer and President, of Trecora Resources (the "Company") will present to certain investors at the G.research 10th Annual Specialty Chemical Conference in New York, New York on March 13, 2019 at 11:30 am (Eastern Time).

A copy of the presentation is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

The information furnished pursuant to this Item 7.01 (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing made by the Company under the Exchange Act or the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, regardless of any general incorporation language in any such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

 Exhibit No.
 Description of Exhibit

 99.1
 Trecora Resources presentation to G.research 10th Annual Specialty Chemical Conference.

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.

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Date: March 13, 2019

By: <u>/s/ Christopher A. Groves</u> Christopher A. Groves Corporate Controller



March 2019 G.research 10th Annual Specialty Chemical Conference



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Disclaimer: Non-GAAP Measures

Use of Non-GAAP Measures

This presentation includes the use of both U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and non-GAAP financial measures. Trecora believes certain financial measures, such as EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA Margin, Adjusted Net Income (Loss) and Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share, which are non-GAAP measures, provide users of Trecora's financial statements with supplemental information that may be useful in evaluating its operating performance. Trecora believes that such non-GAAP measures, when read in conjunction with its operating results presented under GAAP, can be used to better assess Trecora's performance from period to period and relative to performance of other companies in its industry, without regard to financing methods, historical cost basis or capital structure. These measures are not measures of financial performance or liquidity under GAAP and should be considered in addition to, not as a substitute for, analysis of Trecora's results under GAAP. Tables included in this presentation reconcile each of these Non-GAAP measures to their most directly comparable GAAP measure. Reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA information related to potential 2019 impacts of our turnaround priorities provided in this presentation to the nearest GAAP measure cannot be provided without unreasonable efforts due to not yet being able to estimate the material elements of net income or loss and income taxes for full year 2019. The lack of such reconciling information should be considered when assessing the impact of such information.

EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Margin: Trecora defines EBITDA as net income (loss) plus interest expense (benefit) including derivative gains and losses, income taxes, depreciation and amortization. Trecora defines Adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA plus share-based compensation, plus restructuring and severance expenses, plus losses on extinguished debt, plus or minus equity in AMAK's earnings and losses or gains from equity issuances, and plus or minus restructuring gains or losses on acquisitions. Trecora defines Adjusted EBITDA Margin as Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of consolidated revenue.

Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share: Trecora defines Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share (or Adjusted EPS) as Diluted Earnings Per Share (or Diluted EPS) excluding the impact of a number of non-recurring items that Trecora does not consider indicative of its on-going performance.

Why Invest in Trecora

Significant Value Creation Through Increased Cash Flow And Debt Reduction

- Operationally: Focus on execution and planning
 - Safety and Reliability program demonstrating improved performance
 - Culture of productivity reducing costs
- Commercially: Strong market positions in key businesses
 - Industry Leader in core Specialty Petrochemicals Segment
 - Low-cost / high-value polyethylene-based wax business
 - Unique custom processing assets on U.S. Gulf Coast
- Financially: Rapid de-leveraging opportunity
 - \$20 million cash flow from operations in 2018
 - Annual capital expenditures of approximately \$10 million
 - AMAK monetization provides opportunity for additional debt reduction

Trecora Business Models

High Purity Light Hydrocarbon Manufacturing

Prime Products include isopentane, normal pentane, isohexane and hexane

- Market leader (one of two ٠ producers in the U.S.)
- Used in the production of polyethylene, packaging, polypropylene, expandable polystyrene, polyiso/ urethane foams, crude oil from the Canadian tar sands, and in the catalyst support industry
- Growth driven by chemical industry investment and U.S. GDP

Specialty Synthetic Wax Manufacturing

Specialty waxes including specialty polyethylene and poly alpha olefin waxes used in paints, inks, adhesives, coatings, and PVC lubricants and are used in applications such as toner in printers and hot melt adhesives Growth driven by our • development of higher value waxes

Custom Processing Services

- Custom manufacturing services provide a range of specialized capabilities to chemical and industrial customers including synthesis, hydrogenation, distillation, forming and propoxylation in addition to a number of other chemical processes
- Growth driven by our investment in new capabilities and U.S chemical industry investment

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Byproducts

- Aromatic compounds widely used to make other chemicals including dyes and plastic products
- Results from production of prime products
- Growth driven by higher reliability of new Advanced Reformer

Product, manufacturing and processing ecosystem

Multi-year Investment Cycle Has Not Delivered Results



Cash Flow from Operations and Capex (\$mm)









Trecora's Leadership

 25+ years chemical industry leadership experience Previously served as EVP and President at Celanese Corporation Executed re-org of Acetyls business at Celanese and restructuring of I&D segment at LyondelIBaseII 	
 25+ years of experience in finance and chemical industry Most recently served as CFO and Board member for Armada Water Assets, Inc. 18 years with ARCO and LyondellBasell 	
 30+ years of experience in petrochemical industry Previously held a variety of Operations positions at ExxonMobil Chemical Company 	
 30+ years chemical industry experience Recently served as CEO and President of BasellOrlen Polyolefins Led largest capital expansion in BasellOrlen's history Restructured +\$500 million polypropylene business 	
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Trecora Turnaround Priority 1: Safe and Reliable Assets

- Focused on safe and reliable operations, while providing quality products to our customers.
- Plan demonstrating early results
 - Injury-free company-wide since October
 - Advanced Reformer returned to service in the first week of January 2019 and has run reliably and performing according to design criteria
 - Hydrogenation unit at baseload production with the opportunity to increase utilization with time
- Reliability plan potential to add \$3.0 to \$4.0 million of EBITDA

Trecora Turnaround Priority 2: Capture Productivity Opportunities

- Focused on enhancing our productivity by challenging both internal and external cost elements
- Plan demonstrating early results
 - Aligning resources at SIsbee facility to match scope of operations expected to generate \$2.5 million in annual savings beginning in 2019
 - Further opportunities being identified
- Productivity plan potential to add \$3.5 to \$4.5 million of EBITDA

Trecora Turnaround Priority 3: Drive Commercial Excellence

- Focused on measuring and improving every element of value proposition to our customers
- Plan demonstrating early results
 - Improving monthly ratability commitments allows reduction in rail car fleet size
 - Improved visibility of logistics costs allows higher reimbursement from customers where contracts allow
 - Pricing strategy clarity allows improved adders to formula contracts
- Commercial excellence plan potential to add \$1.0 to \$2.0 million of EBITDA

Plan to Drive Improved Results





De-Leveraging Opportunity



- Debt reduction a near-term focus
- Capital program concluded at the end of 2018
- Cap Ex run-rate of approximately \$10 million
- Interest expense of \$4.1 million in 2018

AMAK Monetization Opportunity

- The Company owns a 33% interest in Al Masane Al Kobra Mining Company ("AMAK"), a Saudi Arabian closed joint stock mining company, which is engaged in the commercial production of copper and zinc concentrates and silver and gold doré
- Near-term objective to monetize
 the asset
- Improving financial performance, demonstrated by growth in net income before depreciation and amortization, increases interest in and marketability of the asset



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Monetization could generate significant cash proceeds to be used for additional debt reduction or other shareholder-friendly actions

Execution Drives Cash Generation

Long-term cash flow generation – investment cycle complete

 Ongoing capex of approximately \$10 million per year

Meaningful near-term opportunity to improve operational reliability, productivity and commercial excellence to enhance margins

Monetization opportunity with AMAK mine ownership

Free cash flow used for debt reduction: debt-to-adjusted EBITDA target of 2.5x - 3x





Thank You

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Appendix Financial Summary - 2018

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	4Q18	3Q18	2Q18	1Q18	4Q17	2018	2017
Diluted EPS	(\$ 0.22)	(\$ 0.06)	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.56	(\$ 0.10)	\$ 0.72
Adjusted EPS ¹ Net Income	(\$ 0.13)	(\$ 0.03)	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.44
(Loss)	(\$ 5.3)	(\$ 1.6)	\$ 2.2	\$ 2.4	\$ 14.0	(\$ 2.3)	\$ 18.0
Adjusted EBITDA ¹	\$ 2.0	\$ 4.9	\$ 6.2	\$ 7.2	\$ 8.5	\$ 20.3	\$ 31.7
Adj EBITDA Margin ¹	2.6%	6.7%	9.1%	10.0%	12.8%	7.1%	12.9%
Cap Ex	\$ 6.2	\$ 3.7	\$ 4.4	\$ 11.0	\$ 12.3	\$ 25.3	\$ 51.6
Debt ²	\$ 103.3	\$ 106.4	\$ 105.4	\$ 107.5	\$ 99.6	\$ 103.3	\$ 99.6
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(2) Includes debt issuance costs

- Adjusted EBITDA was \$2.0 million for 4Q18 compared to \$4.9 million in the third quarter 2018
- > Capex of \$6.2 million for the fourth quarter of 2018
- Debt at December 31, 2018 of \$103.3 million including revolver balance of \$18.0 million, with availability of \$19.7 million



Appendix Reconciliation Of Selected GAAP Measures To Non-GAAP Measures

	Three months ended										Twelve months ended			
		12/31/2018		9/30/2018		6/30/2018		31/2018	12/31/2017		<u>12/31/2018</u>		<u>12/31/2017</u>	
NET INCOME	\$	(5,290)	\$	(1,609)	\$	2,215	\$	2,352	\$	13,972	\$	(2,332)	\$	18,009
Restructuring & Severance Expenses		(2,347)										(2,347)		
Equity in earnings (losses) of AMAK/Gain on equity issuance		(229)		(1,130)		228		230		900		(901)		(4,261)
Taxes at statutory rate		541		237	_	(48)		(48)		(189)	-	682	=	895
Tax effected adjustments		(2,035)		(893)		180		182		711		(2,566)		(3,366)
Tax rate change benefit										\$10,307				\$10,307
Diluted weighted average number of shares		24,545		25,175		25,014		25,231		25,202		24,438		25,129
Estimated effect on diluted EPS		(\$0.08)		(\$0.04)		\$0.01		\$0.01		\$0.44		(\$0.10)		\$0.28
Diluted EPS		(\$0.22)		(\$0.06)		\$0.09		\$0.09		\$0.55		(\$0.10)		\$0.72
Adjusted EPS		(\$0.13)		(\$0.03)		\$0.08		\$0.08		\$0.12		\$0.01		\$0.44

	Three months ended										Twelve months ended			
		12/31/201	.8	9/30/201	.8	6/30/20	18	3/31/20:	18	12/31/20:	17	12/31/201	8	<u>12/31/2017</u>
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	(5,290)	\$	(1,609)	\$	2,215	\$	2,352	\$	13,972	\$	(2,332)	\$	18,009
Interest		1,483		924		815		878		822		4,100		2,931
Taxes		(1,520)		(473)		596		590		(9,129)		(807)		(7,159)
Depreciation and amortization		148		205		191		196		217		740		872
Depreciation and amortization in cost of sales		4,138	<u></u>	3,813	_	2,837		2,829		2,778	_	13,618	_	10,089
EBITDA		(1,041)		2,860		6,654		6,845		8,660		15,319		24,742
Share based compensation		420		630		(220)		592		702		1,422		2,707
Restructuring & Severance Expenses		2,347		1		-		12				2,347		2
Loss on extinguishment of debt				315								315		1
Gain from additional equity issuance by AMAK												2		2
Equity in losses of AMAK	_	229	_	1,130	_	(228)	_	(230)	<u> </u>	(900)	_	901	_	4,261
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	1,955	\$	4,935	\$	6,206	\$	7,208	\$	8,462	\$	20,304	\$	31,710
Revenue		74,669		73,416		68,106		71,741		65,978		287,932		245,143
Adjusted EBITDA Margin		2.6	%	6.7	%	9.1	%	10.0	%	12.8	%	7.1	%	12.9%