

**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): **May 1, 2017**

WESTMORELAND RESOURCE PARTNERS, LP
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-34815
(Commission
File Number)

77-0695453
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**9540 South Maroon Circle,
Suite 300
Englewood, CO**
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

80112
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(855) 922-6463**

(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 (*see* 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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in 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 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On May 1, 2017, Westmoreland Resource Partners, LP (the “Partnership”) issued a press release announcing a revision to the record date for its quarterly distribution for the quarter ended March 31, 2017. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

The information in this Item 7.01 of the Current Report on Form 8-K and the exhibit attached hereto is being furnished and shall not be deemed “filed” for purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated May 1, 2017

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.

WESTMORELAND COAL COMPANY

Date: May 1, 2017

By: /s/ Jennifer S. Grafton

Jennifer S. Grafton
Chief Legal Officer

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99.1	Press Release dated May 1, 2017

Westmoreland Resource Partners, LP Announces Revised Record Date for Quarterly Distribution

Englewood, CO - May 1, 2017 - Westmoreland Resources GP, LLC, general partner of Westmoreland Resource Partners, LP (NYSE:WMLP) (“WMLP”), announced today that the record date for its previously declared first quarter distribution will change from Monday May 8, 2017 to Thursday May 11, 2017. The declared distribution of \$0.1333 per unit remains unchanged and will continue to be payable on May 15, 2017 to unitholders and warrant holders of record at the close of business on May 11, 2017. Holders of Series A Convertible units on the new record date will continue to be issued a distribution of Series A Convertible units in lieu of a \$0.1333 cash distribution.

This press release is intended to be a qualified notice under Treasury Regulation Section 1.1446-4(b). Brokers and nominees should treat one hundred percent (100.0%) of WMLP’s distributions to non-U.S. investors as being attributable to income that is effectively connected with a United States trade or business. Accordingly, WMLP’s distributions to non-U.S. investors are subject to federal income tax withholding at the highest applicable effective tax rate.

About Westmoreland Resource Partners, LP

Westmoreland Resource Partners, LP is a low-cost producer of high-value thermal coal. It markets its coal primarily to large electric utilities with coal-fired, base-load scrubbed power plants under long-term coal sales contracts. For more information about Westmoreland Resource Partners, LP (NYSE: WMLP), please visit www.westmorelandmlp.com. Unitholders may request a hard copy of the Partnership’s Annual Report on Form 10-K free of charge, which is also routinely posted on and accessible at www.westmorelandmlp.com. The Partnership’s most recent Annual Report was filed March 16, 2017.

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