

**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): **January 16, 2019**

MONITRONICS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

333-110025
(Commission
File Number)

74-2719343
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**1990 Wittington Place
Farmers Branch, Texas 75234**
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(972) 243-7443**

(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 Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2). 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.

On January 16, 2019, Ascent Capital Group, Inc. (“Ascent” or the “Company”), the parent company of Monitronics International, Inc. (doing business as “Brinks Home Security”), issued a press release announcing that it has initiated a process to consider potential strategic alternatives, including an investment in the Company or its operating subsidiary Brinks Home Security by a third party and that Moelis & Company LLC has been retained as financial advisor to assist with this review. The Company has not set a definitive timetable for completing the review, and there can be no assurance that the process will result in a transaction. The Company does not intend to disclose developments or provide updates on the progress or status of this process unless and until further disclosure is appropriate or required. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

This Item 7.01 and the exhibit attached hereto are being furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission in satisfaction of the public disclosure requirements of Regulation FD and shall not be deemed “filed” for any purpose.

Forward Looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K includes certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements about the strategic review process, potential transactions and other matters that are not historical facts. Words such as “believes,” “estimates,” “anticipates,” “intends,” “expects,” “projects,” “plans,” “seeks,” “may,” “will,” “should” and similar expressions may identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve many risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such statements, including general market and economic conditions, changes in law and government regulations and other matters affecting the business of Ascent and Brinks Home Security. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this Current Report on Form 8-K, and Ascent and Brinks Home Security expressly disclaim any obligation or undertaking to disseminate any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement contained herein to reflect any change in Ascent's and Brinks Home Security's expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based. Please refer to the publicly filed documents of Ascent and Brinks Home Security, including the most recent Forms 10-K and 10-Q for additional information about Ascent and Brinks Home Security and about the risks and uncertainties related to the business of Ascent and Brinks Home Security which may affect the statements made in this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release issued by Ascent on January 16, 2019

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 17, 2019

MONITRONICS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: /s/ William E. Niles
Name: William E. Niles
Title: Executive Vice President and Secretary



ASCENT CAPITAL GROUP ANNOUNCES STRATEGIC REVIEW

Englewood, CO - January 16, 2019 - Ascent Capital Group, Inc. (“Ascent” or the “Company”) (Nasdaq: ASCMA), today announced that it has initiated a process to consider potential strategic alternatives, including an investment in the Company or its operating subsidiary Brinks Home Security by a third party. Moelis & Company LLC has been retained as financial advisor to assist with this review.

The Company has not set a definitive timetable for completing the review, and there can be no assurance that the process will result in a transaction. The Company does not intend to disclose developments or provide updates on the progress or status of this process unless and until further disclosure is appropriate or required.

Forward Looking Statements

This press release includes certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements about the strategic review process, potential transactions and other matters that are not historical facts. Words such as “believes,” “estimates,” “anticipates,” “intends,” “expects,” “projects,” “plans,” “seeks,” “may,” “will,” “should” and similar expressions may identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve many risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such statements, including general market and economic conditions, changes in law and government regulations and other matters affecting the business of Ascent. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this press release, and Ascent expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to disseminate any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement contained herein to reflect any change in Ascent's expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based. Please refer to the publicly filed documents of Ascent, including the most recent Forms 10-K and 10-Q for additional information about Ascent and about the risks and uncertainties related to Ascent's business which may affect the statements made in this press release.

About Ascent and Brinks Home Security

Ascent Capital Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: ASCMA) is a holding company whose primary subsidiary operates as Brinks Home Security™, one of the largest home security and alarm monitoring companies in the U.S. Headquartered in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, Brinks Home Security secures approximately 1 million residential and commercial customers through highly responsive, simple security solutions backed by expertly trained professionals. Brinks Home Security has the nation's largest network of independent authorized dealers - providing products and support to customers in the U.S., Canada and Puerto Rico - as well as direct-to-consumer sales of DIY and professionally installed products.

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