# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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 1, 2017

# Tesla, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-34756 (Commission File Number) 91-2197729 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

3500 Deer Creek Road Palo Alto, California 94304 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(650) 681-5000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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):

- □ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- □ 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 ( $\S$  230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ( $\S$  240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company  $\square$ 

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.  $\Box$ 

#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 1, 2017, Tesla, Inc. released its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2017 by posting its Third Quarter 2017 Shareholder Letter on its website. The full text of the shareholder letter is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

This information is intended to be furnished under Item 2.02 of Form 8-K, "Results of Operations and Financial Condition" and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 <u>Tesla, Inc. Third Quarter 2017 Shareholder Letter dated November 1, 2017.</u>

### **SIGNATURES**

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.

TESLA, INC.

By:

/s/ Deepak Ahuja **Deepak Ahuja Chief Financial Officer** 

Date: November 1, 2017