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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer  
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 under  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of November, 2016  
Commission File Number 001-35575

Cencosud S.A.  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Av. Kennedy 9001, Piso 6  
Las Condes, Santiago  
Chile  
(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F

Form 40 F

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1):

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On November 2, 2016, Cencosud S.A. (“Cencosud” or the “Company”) filed an official notice of an essential event ( *Hecho Esencial* ) (an English translation of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A) with the Chilean Superintendency of Securities and Insurance ( *Superintendencia de Valores y Seguros* ), or SVS, relating to the announcement of a dividend.

The attachment contains forward-looking statements. The registrant desires to qualify for the “safe-harbor” provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, and consequently is hereby filing cautionary statements identifying important factors that could cause the registrant’s actual results to differ materially from those set forth in such forward-looking statements.

The registrant’s forward-looking statements are based on the registrant’s current expectations, assumptions, estimates and projections about the registrant and its industry. These forward-looking statements can be identified by words or phrases such as “anticipate,” “believe,” “continue,” “estimate,” “expect,” “intend,” “is/are likely to,” “may,” “plan,” “should,” “would,” or other similar expressions.

The forward-looking statements included in the attached involve various risks and uncertainties, including, among others: (i) changes in general economic, business or political or other conditions in Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Peru, Colombia or elsewhere in Latin America or global markets; (ii) changes in capital markets in general that may affect policies or attitudes towards investing in Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Peru, Colombia or securities issued by companies in such countries; (iii) the monetary and interest rate policies of the Central Banks of Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Peru and Colombia; (iv) high levels of inflation or deflation; (v) unanticipated increases in financing and other costs or our inability to obtain additional debt or equity financing on attractive terms; (vi) movements in interest and/or foreign exchange rates, and movements in equity prices or other rates or prices; (vii) changes in, or failure to comply with, applicable regulations or changes in taxes; (viii) loss of market share or changes in competition and pricing environments in the industries in which the Company operates; (ix) difficulties in successfully integrating recent and future acquisitions into the Company’s operations; (x) the Company’s inability to hedge certain risks economically; (xi) changes in consumer spending and saving habits; (xii) implementation of new technologies; (xiii) limitations on the Company’s ability to open new stores and operate them profitably; (xiv) difficulties in completing proposed store openings, expansions or remodeling; (xv) difficulties in acquiring and developing land in Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Peru or Colombia, and restrictions on opening new large stores in any such countries; and (xvi) the factors discussed under the heading “Risk Factors” as well as risks included in the Company’s other filings and submissions with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

Although the registrant believes that its expectations expressed in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, its expectations may turn out to be incorrect. The registrant’s actual results could be materially different from its expectations. In light of the risks and uncertainties described above, the estimates and forward-looking statements discussed in the attached might not occur, and the registrant’s future results and its performance may differ materially from those expressed in these forward-looking statements due to, including, but not limited to, the factors mentioned above. Because of these uncertainties, you should not make any investment decision based on these estimates and forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements made in the attached relate only to events or information as of the date on which the statements are made in the attached. The registrant undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which the statements are made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

Cencosud S.A.

By: /s/ Sebastián Rivera Martínez

Name: Sebastián Rivera Martínez

Title: Legal Manager

Date: November 3, 2016

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**NOTICE OF ESSENTIAL EVENT**

**CENCOSUD S.A.**  
Securities Registry Inscription No. 743

Santiago, November 2, 2016

Mr.  
Superintendent  
Superintendency of Securities and Insurance  
**Present**

For your consideration:

Cencosud S.A., a corporation registered in the Securities Registry at number 743 (hereinafter "Cencosud" or "Company"), in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 and the second paragraph of Article 10, both of the Law No. 18,045 and General Regulatory Guideline No. 30, Section 2, of the SVS, hereby gives notice of the following essential event:

That, by agreement of the Board of Directors it has resolved to distribute an interim dividend of CLP\$20 (twenty Chilean pesos) per share, with a charge to earnings for the year 2016.

This dividend will be made available to shareholders as of December 7, 2016, in the Sercor offices located at 140 Golf Street, First Floor, Las Condes, Metropolitana Region, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. For the shareholders who have so requested, the said dividend will be deposited into the account they have designated for this purpose, on the same day fixed above.

Shareholders shall be entitled to the dividend if registered in the Company's shareholder registry on December 1, 2016.

Sincerely yours,

**Rodrigo Larraín Kaplán**  
Chief Financial Officer  
Cencosud S.A.

cc: Bolsa de Comercio de Santiago  
Bolsa Electrónica de Santiago  
Bolsa de Comercio de Valparaíso  
Bondholders

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