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

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**FORM 8-K**

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**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 2, 2018

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**VALVOLINE INC.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Kentucky**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-37884**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**30-0939371**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**100 Valvoline Way**  
**Lexington, KY 40509**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**(859) 357-7777**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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:

- 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 (§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.

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On May 2, 2018, Valvoline Inc. (“[Valvoline](#)”) issued a news release announcing its plans to build a blending and packaging facility in China that will supply both finished lubricants and coolants. The investment of approximately \$70 million represents Valvoline’s largest blending plant investment worldwide. The plant is expected to begin production by the end of calendar 2020 with an annual production capacity of more than 30 million lubricant gallons.

A copy of the news release is being furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description of Exhibit</u>
<a href="#">99.1</a>	<a href="#">News release issued by Valvoline Inc., dated May 2, 2018</a>

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

**VALVOLINE INC.**

Date: May 2, 2018

By: /s/ Julie M. O'Daniel  
Julie M. O'Daniel  
Senior Vice President, Chief Legal Officer & Corporate Secretary

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## NEWS RELEASE

### Valvoline Announces Investment in New Lubricants Plant to Meet Growing Demand in China

*New blending and packaging facility will be the company's largest plant investment to date, supplying both finished lubricants and coolants*

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 2, 2018 - Valvoline Inc. (NYSE: VVV), a leading worldwide supplier of premium branded lubricants and automotive services, today announced plans to build its first plant in China. With expected investment of approximately \$70 million (RMB 443 million), it will also represent Valvoline's single largest blending plant investment worldwide.

"Capturing opportunities for volume and premium product growth in key international markets is an essential strategy for the company," said Sam Mitchell, chief executive officer. "This new plant is an investment in China and its rapidly growing demand for high-quality lubricants and coolants to meet the evolving needs of both passenger car and heavy-duty customers."

Strategically located on approximately 20 acres (120 Mu) in Zhangjiagang within the Jiangsu province, the new 80,000-square-meter Valvoline™ plant is expected to begin production by the end of calendar 2020 with an annual production capacity in excess of 30 million gallons (115 million liters) of lubricants.

"This is very exciting news for our customers and partners in China," said Craig Moughler, senior vice president, International and Product Supply. "This investment demonstrates our commitment to the growth and success of our distributors and OEM customers through a more efficient and effective local supply chain and faster-to-market new products and packaging."

#### **About Valvoline**

Valvoline Inc. (NYSE: VVV) is a leading worldwide marketer and supplier of premium branded lubricants and automotive services, with sales in more than 140 countries. Established in 1866, Valvoline's heritage spans over 150 years, during which it has developed powerful brand recognition across multiple product and service channels. The highly trusted brand ranks as the No. 3 passenger car motor oil brand in the DIY market by volume and the No. 2 quick-lube chain by number of stores in the United States. The company operates and franchises more than 1,100 Valvoline Instant Oil Change<sup>SM</sup> centers in the United States. It also markets Valvoline lubricants and automotive chemicals, including the new Valvoline™ Modern Engine Full Synthetic Motor Oil, which is specifically engineered to protect against carbon build-up in Gasoline Direct Injection (GDI), turbo and other engines manufactured since 2012; Valvoline High Mileage with MaxLife technology motor oil for engines over 75,000 miles; Valvoline Synthetic motor oil; and Zerex™ antifreeze. To learn more, visit [www.valvoline.com](http://www.valvoline.com).

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## Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this news release, other than statements of historical fact, including estimates, projections, statements related to our business plans and operating results are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Valvoline has identified some of these forward-looking statements with words such as “anticipates,” “believes,” “expects,” “estimates,” “is likely,” “predicts,” “projects,” “forecasts,” “may,” “will,” “should” and “intends” and the negative of these words or other comparable terminology. These forward-looking statements are based on Valvoline’s current expectations, estimates, projections and assumptions as of the date such statements are made, and are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements. Additional information regarding these risks and uncertainties are described in the Company’s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including in the “Risk Factors” and “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” sections of our most recently filed periodic reports on Forms 10-K and Form 10-Q, which are available on Valvoline’s website at <http://investors.valvoline.com/sec-filings>. Valvoline assumes no obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements for any reason, even if new information becomes available in the future.

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