

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST INC
Form 8-K
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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

March 1, 2019 (February 28, 2019)

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.

FIRST INDUSTRIAL, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.:

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| Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) | 1-13102 (Commission File Number) | 39-3935116 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |
| First Industrial, L.P.: | | |
| Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) | 333-21873 (Commission File Number) | 39-3924586 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |
| | 1 North Wacker Drive, Suite 4200 | |
| | Chicago, Illinois 60606 | |
| | (Address of principal executive offices, zip code) | |
| | (312) 344-4300 | |
| | (Registrant's telephone number, including area code) | |
| | Not Applicable | |
| | (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):

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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.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

2019 Employee Bonus Plan

On February 28, 2019, the Board of Directors (the *Board*) of First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. (the *Company*) ratified criteria proposed by its Compensation Committee to be used in establishing an incentive bonus pool from which awards may be granted to the *Company's* employees, including its chief executive officer and certain other senior executive officers, under the *Company's* incentive compensation plan (the *2019 Employee Bonus Plan*). Awards under the *2019 Employee Bonus Plan* will be based on certain identified thresholds of four performance categories. The categories are (i) funds from operations (*FFO*) per share (using the NAREIT definition), as *FFO* may be adjusted by the Compensation Committee in its discretion to exclude the effects of certain extraordinary items, (ii) same store net operating income (*SS NOI*) growth, (iii) fixed charge coverage ratio and (iv) discretionary objectives (based on financial and non-financial goals determined by the *Company's* chief executive officer). The Compensation Committee has assigned weighting factors to each of the performance categories, such that performance in certain categories will have a more pronounced impact on the bonus pool under the *2019 Employee Bonus Plan* than will performance in other categories. The Compensation Committee has assigned a 65% weighting factor to the *FFO* per share category, a 10% weighting factor to each of the *SS NOI* growth and fixed charge coverage ratio categories, and a 15% weighting factor to the discretionary objectives category.

The Compensation Committee has also established performance targets and thresholds relating to each performance category. Achievement of specified thresholds with respect to each performance category will result in an increase in the incentive pool from which awards may be granted under the *2019 Employee Bonus Plan*. Achievement by the *Company* of specifically identified levels of performance with respect to each performance category will result in funding of the incentive pool for the *2019 Employee Bonus Plan* of 0%, 25%, 50%, 75%, 100% or 125%, respectively, of the bonus opportunity associated with that performance category. Should performance fall between two identified payout levels, the resulting compensation that may be earned for such performance will be prorated based on linear interpolation.

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.

**FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST,
INC.**

By: /s/ Daniel J. Hemmer
Name: Daniel J. Hemmer
Its: General Counsel

FIRST INDUSTRIAL, L.P.

By: First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.,
its general partner

By: /s/ Daniel J. Hemmer
Name: Daniel J. Hemmer

Its: General Counsel

Date: March 1, 2019