

**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): **March 9, 2021**

Clearway Energy, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-36002
(Commission File Number)

46-1777204
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

300 Carnegie Center, Suite 300, Princeton, New Jersey 08540
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(609) 608-1525
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A
(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:

- 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01	CWEN.A	New York Stock Exchange
Class C Common Stock, par value \$0.01	CWEN	New York Stock Exchange

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 4.01 Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountant.

On March 9, 2021, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Clearway Energy, Inc. (the "Company") dismissed KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm. On March 11, 2021, the Audit Committee appointed Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, to audit the consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021.

KPMG LLP's audit reports on the consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries as of and for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020 did not contain an adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion, nor were they qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles, except that KPMG LLP's report on the consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries as of and for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020, contained the below separate paragraphs:

- "As discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company has changed its method of accounting for Revenue from Contracts with Customers as of January 1, 2018 due to the adoption of Topic 606."
- "As discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company has changed its method of accounting for Leases as of January 1, 2019 due to the adoption of Topic 842."

During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020, and through March 9, 2021, there were no (i) disagreements (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(iv) of Regulation S-K) between the Company and KPMG LLP on any matter of accounting principle or practice, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedure which, if not resolved to KPMG LLP's satisfaction, would have caused it to make reference to the matter in conjunction with its report on the Company's consolidated financial statements for the relevant year, or (ii) reportable events as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K.

The Company provided KPMG LLP with a copy of the disclosures it is making in this Form 8-K and requested that KPMG LLP furnish a letter addressed to the Securities and Exchange Commission stating whether or not it agrees with the statements made herein. A copy of KPMG LLP's letter, dated March 15, 2021, is filed as Exhibit 16.1 to this Form 8-K.

During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020, and through March 11, 2021, neither the Company, nor anyone on behalf of the Company, consulted with Ernst & Young LLP with respect to either (i) the application of accounting principles to a specified transaction, either completed or proposed, or the type of audit opinion that might be rendered on the consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries, and no written report or oral advice was provided by Ernst & Young LLP to the Company that Ernst & Young LLP concluded was an important factor considered by the Company in reaching a decision as to the accounting, auditing or financial reporting issue or (ii) any matter that was the subject of either a disagreement (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(iv) of Regulation S-K) or a reportable event (as described in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K).

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

**Exhibit
No.**

Document

[16.1](#) [Letter from KPMG LLP, dated March 15, 2021.](#)

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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.

Clearway Energy, Inc.

By: /s/ Kevin P. Malcarney

Kevin P. Malcarney

General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Dated: March 15, 2021

March 15, 2021

Securities and Exchange Commission
Washington, D.C. 20549

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We were previously principal accountants for Clearway Energy, Inc. and, under the date of March 1, 2021, we reported on the consolidated financial statements of Clearway Energy, Inc. as of and for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020. On March 9, 2021, we were dismissed. We have read Clearway Energy, Inc.'s statements included under Item 4.01 of its Form 8-K dated March 15, 2021, and we agree with such statements, except that we are not in a position to agree or disagree with Clearway Energy, Inc.'s statement that Ernst & Young LLP was not engaged regarding the application of accounting principles to a specified transaction or the type of audit opinion that might be rendered on Clearway Energy, Inc.'s consolidated financial statements.

Very truly yours,

(signed) KPMG LLP
