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Form 8-K

Current Report
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report: September 14, 2026
(Date of Earliest Event Reported)

Piedmont Realty Trust, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)

001-34626
(Commission
File Number)

58-2328421
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

5565 Glenridge Connector Ste. 450
Atlanta, Georgia 30342
(Address of principal executive offices)

(770) 418-8800
(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:

- ☐ 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	Name of Each Exchange On Which Registered
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	PDM	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 8.01. Other Events.

On September 14, 2026, Piedmont Realty Trust, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing the pricing of the previously announced offering of \$200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 2.875% exchangeable senior notes due 2031 (the “Notes”) of its operating partnership, Piedmont Operating Partnership, LP to persons reasonably believed to be qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The Company will fully and unconditionally guarantee the Notes on a senior, unsecured basis. The issuance and sale of the notes are scheduled to settle on September 17, 2026, subject to customary closing conditions.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference into this Item 8.01.

Neither this Current Report on Form 8-K nor the press release constitutes an offer to sell, or the solicitation of an offer to buy, the Notes or the shares of the Company’s common stock, if any, issuable upon exchange of the Notes.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”). The Company intends for all such forward-looking statements to be covered by the safe-harbor provisions for forward-looking statements contained in Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act, as applicable. Such information is subject to certain known and unknown risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated. Therefore, such statements are not intended to be a guarantee of the Company’s performance in future periods. Such forward-looking statements can generally be identified by the Company’s use of forward-looking terminology such as “may,” “will,” “expect,” “intend,” “anticipate,” “estimate,” “believe,” “continue” or similar words or phrases that indicate predictions of future events or trends or that do not relate solely to historical matters. These statements are based on beliefs and assumptions of the Company’s management, which in turn are based on information available at the time the statements are made.

The following are some of the factors that could cause the Company’s actual results and its expectations to differ materially from those described in the Company’s forward-looking statements: economic, regulatory, socio-economic, technological (e.g., artificial intelligence and machine learning, virtual meeting platforms, etc.), and other changes that impact the real estate market generally, the office sector or the patterns of use of commercial office space in general, or the markets where we primarily operate or have high concentrations of revenue; the impact of competition on our efforts to renew existing leases or re-let space on terms similar to existing leases; lease terminations, lease defaults, lease contractions, or changes in the financial condition of our tenants, particularly by one of our large tenants; impairment charges on our long-lived assets or goodwill resulting therefrom; the success of our real estate strategies and investment objectives, including our ability to implement successful redevelopment and development strategies or identify and consummate suitable acquisitions and divestitures; the illiquidity of real estate investments, including economic changes, such as fluctuating interest rates, costs of construction, improvements and redevelopments, and available financing, which could impact the number of buyers/sellers of our target properties, and regulatory restrictions to which real estate investment trusts (“REITs”) are subject and the resulting impediment on our ability to quickly respond to adverse changes in the performance of our properties; the risks and uncertainties associated with our acquisition and disposition of properties, many of which risks and uncertainties may not be known at the time of acquisition or disposition; development and construction delays, including the potential of supply chain disruptions, and resultant increased costs and risks; future acts of terrorism, civil unrest, or armed hostilities in any of the

major metropolitan areas in which we own properties; risks related to the occurrence of cybersecurity incidents, including cybersecurity incidents against us or any of our properties, vendors, or tenants, or a deficiency in our identification, assessment or management of cybersecurity threats impacting our operations and the public’s reaction to reported cybersecurity incidents, including the reputational impact on our business and value of our common stock; costs of complying with governmental laws, regulations and policies, including environmental standards imposed on office building owners; uninsured losses or losses in excess of our insurance coverage, and our inability to obtain adequate insurance coverage at a reasonable cost; additional risks and costs associated with directly managing properties occupied by government tenants, such as potential changes in the political environment, a reduction in federal or state funding of our governmental tenants, government layoffs or an increased risk of default by government tenants during periods in which state or federal governments are shut down or on furlough; significant price and volume fluctuations in the public markets, including on the exchange on which we listed our common stock; risks associated with incurring mortgage and other indebtedness, including changing capital reserve requirements on our lenders and rising interest rates for new debt financings; a downgrade in our credit ratings, the credit ratings of Piedmont Operating Partnership, LP (the “Operating Partnership”) or the credit ratings of our or the Operating Partnership’s unsecured debt securities, which could, among other effects, trigger an increase in the stated rate of one or more of our unsecured debt instruments; the effect of future offerings of debt or equity securities on the value of our common stock; additional risks and costs associated with adverse U.S. global and economic conditions, inflation and potential increases in the rate of inflation, including the impact of a possible recession, uncertainty and volatility in financial markets, and any changes in governmental rules, regulations, and fiscal policies; uncertainties associated with environmental and regulatory matters; changes in the financial condition of our tenants directly or indirectly resulting from geopolitical developments that could negatively affect important supply chains and international trade, the termination or threatened termination of existing international trade agreements, or the implementation of tariffs or retaliatory tariffs on imported or exported goods; the effect of any litigation to which we are, or may become, subject; additional risks and costs associated with owning properties occupied by tenants in particular industries, such as oil and gas, hospitality, travel, co-working, etc., including risks of default during start-up and during economic downturns; changes in tax laws impacting REITs and real estate in general, as well as our ability to continue to qualify as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or other tax law changes which may adversely affect our stockholders; the future effectiveness of our internal controls and procedures; and other factors, including the risk factors discussed under Item 1A. of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2025.

Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this Form 8-K. The Company cannot guarantee the accuracy of any such forward-looking statements contained in this Form 8-K, and the Company does not intend to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release, dated September 14, 2026
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURE

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.

Dated: September 15, 2026

Piedmont Realty Trust, Inc.

By: /s/ Sherry L. Rexroad

Sherry L. Rexroad

Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President



Piedmont Realty Trust Announces Pricing of \$200,000,000 Exchangeable Senior Notes Offering

Atlanta, Georgia, September 14, 2026—Piedmont Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: PDM) (“Piedmont”) today announced that its operating partnership, Piedmont Operating Partnership, LP (the “Operating Partnership”), priced its offering of \$200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 2.875% exchangeable senior notes due 2031 (the “notes”) in a private offering to persons reasonably believed to be qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”). Piedmont will fully and unconditionally guarantee the notes on a senior, unsecured basis. The issuance and sale of the notes are scheduled to settle on September 17, 2026, subject to customary closing conditions. The Operating Partnership also granted the initial purchasers of the notes an option to purchase, for settlement within a period of 13 days from, and including, the date the notes are first issued, up to an additional \$30,000,000 aggregate principal amount of notes.

The notes will be senior, unsecured obligations of the Operating Partnership and will accrue interest at a rate of 2.875% per annum, payable semi-annually in arrears on February 1 and August 1 of each year, beginning on February 1, 2027. The notes will mature on February 1, 2031, unless earlier exchanged or redeemed or repurchased. Before November 1, 2030, noteholders will have the right to exchange their notes only upon the occurrence of certain events. From and after November 1, 2030, noteholders may exchange their notes at any time at their election until the close of business on the second scheduled trading day immediately before the maturity date. The Operating Partnership will settle exchanges by paying or delivering, as applicable, cash or a combination of cash and shares of Piedmont’s common stock, at the Operating Partnership’s election. The initial exchange rate is 79.0514 shares of Piedmont’s common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of notes, which represents an initial exchange price of \$12.65 per share of Piedmont’s common stock. The initial exchange price represents a premium of approximately 37.5% over the last reported sale price of \$9.20 per share of Piedmont’s common stock on September 14, 2026. The exchange rate and exchange price will be subject to adjustment upon the occurrence of certain events.

The notes will be redeemable, in whole or in part (subject to certain limitations), for cash at the Operating Partnership’s option at any time, and from time to time, on or after August 6, 2029 and on or before the 60th scheduled trading day immediately before the maturity date, but only if the last reported sale price per share of Piedmont’s common stock exceeds 130% of the exchange price for a specified period of time and certain other conditions are satisfied. In addition, the notes will be redeemable, in whole or in part (subject to certain limitations), at the Operating Partnership’s option at any time to the extent necessary to preserve Piedmont’s status as a real estate investment trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, so long as certain conditions are satisfied. The Operating Partnership may also redeem the notes, in whole but not in part, at any time on or before the 60th scheduled trading day immediately before the maturity date, if certain conditions are satisfied and if the aggregate principal amount of notes that remains outstanding at such time is less than 10% of the aggregate principal amount of notes initially issued in connection with the offering. In each case, the redemption price will be equal to the principal amount of the notes to be redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date.

If a “fundamental change” (as defined in the indenture that will govern the notes) occurs, then, subject to a limited exception, noteholders may require the Operating Partnership to repurchase their notes for cash. The repurchase price will be equal to the principal amount of the notes to be repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the applicable repurchase date.

The notes will be entitled to the benefits of a registration rights agreement pursuant to which Piedmont will agree to register, under the Securities Act, the resale of the shares of Piedmont’s common stock, if any, issuable upon exchange of the notes within specified time periods and subject to certain limitations.

The Operating Partnership estimates that the net proceeds from the offering will be approximately \$194.3 million (or approximately \$223.5 million if the initial purchasers fully exercise their option to purchase additional notes), after deducting the initial purchasers’ discounts and commissions and the Operating Partnership’s estimated offering expenses. The Operating Partnership intends to use a portion of the net proceeds from this offering, together with the

net proceeds from the settlement of certain forward sale transactions entered into under Piedmont's at-the-market equity program, cash on hand and borrowings under its line of credit, to redeem all of its outstanding 9.250% senior notes due 2028 (the "2028 notes") and pay the applicable make-whole premium and accrued and unpaid interest with respect thereto. If the initial purchasers exercise their option to purchase additional notes, the Operating Partnership will use the additional proceeds to redeem its outstanding 2028 notes and proportionally decrease the borrowings under its line of credit used to redeem the outstanding 2028 notes.

The Operating Partnership expects to use approximately \$50 million of the net proceeds from the offering to repurchase 5,434,782 shares of Piedmont's common stock from certain purchasers of the notes in privately negotiated transactions effected through one of the initial purchasers or its affiliate concurrently with the pricing of the notes (the "concurrent share repurchase"). The price per share of Piedmont's common stock repurchased in the concurrent share repurchase is equal to \$9.20, which was the last reported sale price per share of Piedmont's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on September 14, 2026. This concurrent share repurchase could increase (or reduce the size of any decrease in) the market price of Piedmont's common stock prior to, concurrently with or shortly after the pricing of the notes, and could have resulted in a higher effective exchange price for the notes. The Operating Partnership cannot predict the magnitude of such market activity or the overall effect it will have on the market price of the notes and/or the market price of Piedmont's common stock.

The offer and sale of the notes, the guarantee and any shares of Piedmont's common stock issuable upon exchange of the notes have not been registered under the Securities Act or any other securities laws, and the notes, the guarantee and any such shares cannot be offered or sold except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any other applicable securities laws. Although the Operating Partnership and Piedmont will enter into a registration rights agreement pursuant to which Piedmont will agree to register, under the Securities Act, the resale of the shares of Piedmont's common stock, if any, issuable upon exchange of the notes, the registration rights agreement will contain significant limitations, and a resale registration statement may not be available at the time investors wish to resell the shares of Piedmont's common stock, if any, issuable upon exchange of their notes. This press release does not constitute an offer to sell, or the solicitation of an offer to buy, the notes or any shares of Piedmont's common stock issuable upon exchange of the notes, nor will there be any sale of the notes or any such shares, in any state or other jurisdiction in which such offer, sale or solicitation would be unlawful.

About Piedmont Realty Trust

Piedmont Realty Trust™ (NYSE: PDM) is a fully integrated, self-managed real estate investment company focused on delivering an exceptional office environment. As an owner, manager, developer and operator of approximately 16 MM SF of Class A properties across major U.S. Sunbelt markets, Piedmont Realty Trust is known for its hospitality-driven approach and commitment to transforming buildings into premier "Piedmont PLACES" that enhance each client's workplace experience.

Forward-Looking Statements

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