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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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 17, 2017

**PINGTAN MARINE ENTERPRISE LTD.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<b>Cayman Islands</b> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	<b>001-35192</b> (Commission File Number)	<b>n/a</b> (IRS Employer ID Number)
<b>18/F, Zhongshan Building A No. 154 Hudong Road Fuzhou, PRC</b> (Address of principal executive offices)		<b>350001</b> (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 86-10-6569-3988

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)
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  - 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))
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**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On January 17, 2017, Pingtan Marine Enterprise Ltd. issued a press release announcing a cash dividend for the first quarter of 2017. The full text of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information furnished under Item 7.01 and in Exhibit 99.1 hereto, is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing made by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

**Exhibit**

**Number      Description**

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99.1	Press Release dated January 17, 2017
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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereto duly authorized.

Dated: January 17, 2017

**Pingtian Marine Enterprise Ltd.**

By: /s/ Xinrong Zhuo

Name: Xinrong Zhuo

Title: Chief Executive Officer



### **PINGTAN MARINE ENTERPRISE DECLARES QUARTERLY CASH DIVIDEND FOR THE FIRST QUARTER 2017**

**FUZHOU, China, January 17, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Pingtan Marine Enterprise Ltd. (Nasdaq: PME), (“Pingtan,” or the “Company”)** a global fishing company based in the People’s Republic of China (PRC), today announced that the Company has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.01 per share of common stock outstanding, payable in cash on or about February 15, 2017 to shareholders of record on January 31, 2017. This marks the ninth consecutive quarterly dividend paid by Pingtan.

The Company intends to continue paying a cash dividend on a quarterly basis, and expects to adjust its quarterly dividend rate in accordance of its earnings performance.

#### **About Pingtan**

Pingtan is a global fishing company engaging in ocean fishing through its subsidiary, Fujian Provincial Pingtan County Ocean Fishing Group Co., Ltd., or Pingtan Fishing.

#### **Business Risks and Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release contains forward-looking statements that are subject to the safe harbors created under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including statements about the Company’s expectation that it currently intends to continue paying dividends on a quarterly basis. Although forward-looking statements reflect the good faith judgment of our management, such statements can only be based on facts and factors currently known by us. Consequently, forward-looking statements are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties and actual results and outcomes may differ materially from the results and outcomes discussed in or anticipated by the forward-looking statements. Risks include anticipated growth and growth strategies; need for additional capital and the availability of financing; our ability to successfully manage relationships with customers, distributors and other important relationships; technological changes; competition; demand for our products and services; the deterioration of general economic conditions, whether internationally, nationally or in the local markets in which we operate; operational, mechanical, climatic or other unanticipated issues that adversely affect the production capacity of the Company’s fishing vessels and their ability to generate expected annual revenue and net income; legislative or regulatory changes that may adversely affect our business; and other risk factors contained in Pingtan’s SEC filings available at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov), including Pingtan’s most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date on which they are made. Pingtan undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements for any reason.

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