

MGP INGREDIENTS INC

Form SC 13G

January 08, 2019

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

MGP Ingredients, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value

(Title of Class of Securities)

55303J106

(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2018

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

Rule 13d-1(c)

Rule 13d-1(d)

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The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see Instructions).

CUSIP No.: 55303J106

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
 Conestoga Capital Advisors, LLC  
 I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE  
 PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY)  
 23-3072906

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A  
 MEMBER OF A GROUP  
 (a)    
 (b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF  
 ORGANIZATION  
 Delaware

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	5	SOLE VOTING POWER 1,180,300
	6	SHARED VOTING POWER 0
	7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 1,316,755
	8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 0

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY  
 OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
 1,316,755

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE  
 AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES  
 CERTAIN SHARES

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY  
 AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
 7.81%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
 IA

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**ITEM NAME OF ISSUER:**

**1(a).** MGP Ingredients, Inc.

**ITEM ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:**

**1(b).** 100 Commercial Street  
Atchison, KS 66002

**ITEM NAME OF PERSON FILING:**

**2(a).** Conestoga Capital Advisors, LLC

**ITEM ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE:**

**2(b).** 550 E. Swedesford Rd. Ste 120  
Wayne, PA 19087

**ITEM CITIZENSHIP:**

**2(c).** Delaware

**ITEM TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES:**

**2(d).** Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value

**ITEM CUSIP NUMBER:**

**2(e).** 55303J106

**ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 240.13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c) CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:**

- (a) Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);  
[ ]
- (b) Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);  
[ ]
- (c) Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);  
[ ]
- (d) Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8);  
[ ]
- (e) An investment adviser in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);  
[X]
- (f) An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);  
[ ]
- (g) A parent holding company or control person in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);  
[ ]
- (h) A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);  
[ ]
- (i) A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);  
[ ]
- (j) A non-U.S. institution in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);

[ ]

- (k) Group, in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K). If filing as a non-U.S. institution in  
[ ] accordance with 240.13d1(b)(1)(ii)(J), please specify the type of institution:

**ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP**

**(a) Amount beneficially owned:**

As of December 31, 2018, the Reporting Person indirectly beneficially owned 1,316,755 shares 7.81% of the Issuers Common Stock. Such shares of the Issuers Common Stock were directly beneficially owned by the Accounts.

**(b) Percent of class:**

As of December 31, 2018, the Reporting Person indirectly beneficially owned 7.81% of the Issuers issued and outstanding Common Stock (based on 16,856,414 shares of the Issuers Common Stock outstanding as of October 26, 2018, as reported by the Issuer in its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 1, 2018). Such shares of the Issuers Common Stock were directly beneficially owned by the Accounts, none of which beneficially owned more than 5%.

**(c) Number of shares as to which the person has:**

- (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

1,180,300

- (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

0

- (iii) sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of:

1,316,755

- (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

0

**ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS:**

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [ ].

**ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON:**

N/A

**ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY:**

N/A

**ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP:**

N/

**ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP:**

N/A

**ITEM CERTIFICATION:**

**10.** By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

January 07 2019 Conestoga Capital Advisors, LLC

By:

/s/ Duane R. D'Orazio

Name:

Duane R. D'Orazio

Title:

Chief Compliance Officer

Attention — Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal criminal violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001).