FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of October 2015

Commission File Number: 001-31819

Gold Reserve Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

926 W. Sprague Avenue, Suite 200 Spokane, Washington 99201 (Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Yes □ No ☒

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The following exhibit is furnished with this Form 6-K:

99.1 News Release

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS AND INFORMATION

The information presented or incorporated by reference herein contains both historical information and "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the relevant sections of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and "forward-looking information" within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities laws, that state Gold Reserve Inc.'s (the "Company") intentions, hopes, beliefs, expectations or predictions for the future. Forward-looking statements and forward-looking information are collectively referred to herein as "forward-looking statements".

Forward-looking statements are necessarily based upon a number of estimates and assumptions that, while considered reasonable by the Company at this time, are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies that may cause the Company's actual financial results, performance, or achievements to be materially different from those expressed or implied herein and many of which are outside its control. Some of the material factors or assumptions used to develop forward-looking statements include, without limitation, the uncertainties associated with: the timing of the enforcement and collection of the amounts awarded (including pre and post award interest and legal costs) (the "Arbitral Award") by the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (the "ICSID") for the losses caused by Venezuela violating the terms of the treaty between the Government of Canada and the Government of Venezuela for the Promotion and Protection of Investments (the "Canada-Venezuela BIT") related to the Brisas Project (the "Brisas Arbitration"), actions and/or responses by the Venezuelan government to the Company's collection efforts related to the Brisas Arbitration, economic and industry conditions influencing the sale of the Brisas Project related equipment, and conditions or events impacting the Company's ability to fund its operations and/or service its debt.

Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, as well as assumptions, including those set out herein, that may never materialize, prove incorrect or materialize other than as currently contemplated which could cause the Company's results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. The words "believe," "anticipate," "expect," "intend," "estimate," "plan," "may," "could" and other similar expressions that are predictions of or indicate future events and future trends which do not relate to historical matters, identify forward-looking statements. Any such forward-looking statements are not intended to provide any assurances as to future results.

Numerous factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements, including without limitation:

- the timing of the enforcement and collection of the Arbitral Award (as defined herein), if at all;
- the costs associated with the enforcement and collection of the Arbitral Award and the complexity and uncertainty of varied legal processes in various international jurisdictions;
- · the Company's current liquidity and capital resources and access to additional funding in the future when required;
- continued servicing or restructuring of the Company's outstanding notes or other obligations as they come due;
- shareholder dilution resulting from restructuring or refinancing the Company's outstanding notes and current accounts payable relating to the Company's legal fees;
- shareholder dilution resulting from the conversion of our outstanding notes in part or in whole to equity;
- shareholder dilution resulting from the sale of additional equity;
- value realized from the disposition of the remaining Brisas Project related assets, if any;
- value realized from the disposition of the Brisas Project Technical Mining Data (as defined herein), if any;
- prospects for exploration and development of other mining projects by the Company;
- ability to maintain continued listing on the TSX Venture Exchange or continued trading on the OTCQB;
- corruption, uncertain legal enforcement and political and social instability;
- currency, metal prices and metal production volatility;

- adverse U.S. and/or Canadian tax consequences;
- abilities and continued participation of certain key employees; and
- risks normally incident to the exploration, development and operation of mining properties.

This list is not exhaustive of the factors that may affect any of the Company's forward-looking statements. See "Risk Factors" contained in the Company's Annual Information Form and Annual Report on Form 40-F filed on sedar.com and sec.gov, respectively for additional risk factors that could cause results to differ materially from forward-looking statements.

Investors are cautioned not to put undue reliance on forward-looking statements, and investors should not infer that there has been no change in the Company's affairs since the date of this report that would warrant any modification of any forward-looking statement made in this document, other documents periodically filed with or furnished to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") or other securities regulators or documents presented on the Company's website. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to the Company or persons acting on its behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by this notice. The Company disclaims any intent or obligation to update publicly or otherwise revise any forward-looking statements or the foregoing list of assumptions or factors, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, subject to the Company's disclosure obligations under applicable U.S. and Canadian securities regulations. Investors are urged to read the Company's filings with U.S. and Canadian securities regulatory agencies, which can be viewed online at www.sec.gov and www.sedar.com, respectively.

(Signature page follows)

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, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: October 21, 2015

GOLD RESERVE INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Robert A. McGuinness
Name: Robert A. McGuinness

Title: Vice President – Finance & CFO



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NOT FOR RELEASE IN THE UNITED STATES

UPDATE – GOLD RESERVE PLANS TO ISSUE UP TO US \$12.3 MILLION OF NEW CONVERTIBLE NOTES AND EXTEND MATURITY DATE OF US \$44 MILLION OF EXISTING NOTES

SPOKANE, WASHINGTON, October 21, 2015

Gold Reserve Inc. (TSX.V:GRZ) (OTCQB:GDRZF) ("Gold Reserve" or the "Company") announced on September 3, 2015 that it planned to issue up to US \$12.3 million of new convertible notes ("New Notes") due December 31, 2018 and modify, amend and extend the maturity date of its US\$44 million outstanding principal and accrued interest amount of previously modified notes ("Old Notes") from December 31, 2015 to December 31, 2018 (the "Modified Notes"). Further to having obtained the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange to complete such transactions subject to certain standard conditions, the Company announces that it is diligently working to conclude and execute the documentation required to effect such transactions in a timely manner.

As previously disclosed, the Company will issue the US \$12.3 million New Notes with an original issue discount of 2.5% of the principal amount and will also issue New Notes representing 2.5% of the outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest amount of the Modified Notes being extended as a restructuring fee.

The New Notes and the Modified Notes (as amended from the date of closing, collectively, the "Notes") will bear interest at a rate of 11% per year, which interest will be paid in kind quarterly and will accrue and be payable in cash at maturity. The Notes will be convertible, at the option of the holder, into 333.33 of Class A common shares per US \$1,000 (equivalent to a conversion price of US \$3.00 per common share, an 11% premium to the current price) at any time upon prior written notice to the Company.

The Notes will be senior obligations of the Company, secured by all assets of the Company and subject to certain other terms including restrictions regarding the pledging of assets and incurrence of certain capital expenditures or additional indebtedness without consent of noteholders; and participation rights in future equity or debt financing.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell, or the solicitation of an offer to buy, any of the securities described herein, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of such state. The securities to be offered have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") or any state securities laws and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. The securities will be offered inside the United States only to current noteholders pursuant to exemptions under applicable state and federal laws.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of applicable U.S. federal securities laws and state Gold Reserve's and its management's intentions, hopes, beliefs, expectations or predictions for the future including without limitation statements with respect to the proposed issuance of the New Notes, the modification of the Old Notes, and the timing thereof. Forward-looking statements are necessarily based upon a number of estimates and assumptions that, while considered reasonable by management at this time, are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies.

We caution that such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other risks that may cause the actual outcomes, financial results, performance, or achievements of Gold Reserve to be materially different from our estimated outcomes, future results, performance, or achievements expressed or implied by those forward-looking statements.

Numerous factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements, including without limitation, the risk that the Company and the current holders of the Modified Notes may not be able to reach agreement on definitive documentation for the issuance of the New Notes or modification of the Old Notes and that all holders of the Old Notes may not consent to the modifications or additional issuances described herein, requiring other or different terms, and the risk that the closing of the transactions described herein may take longer than currently anticipated.

This list is not exhaustive of the factors that may affect any of Gold Reserve's forward-looking statements. Investors are cautioned not to put undue reliance on forward-looking statements. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to Gold Reserve or persons acting on its behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by this notice. Gold Reserve disclaims any intent or obligation to update publicly or otherwise revise any forward-looking statements or the foregoing list of assumptions or factors, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, subject to its disclosure obligations under applicable rules promulgated by the SEC.

In addition to being subject to a number of assumptions, forward-looking statements in this release involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results and developments to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements, including those factors outlined in the "Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" and "Risks Factors" contained in Gold Reserve's filings with the Canadian provincial securities regulatory authorities and the SEC, including Gold Reserve's Annual Information Form and Annual Report on Form 40-F for the year ended December 31, 2015, filed with the Canadian provincial securities regulatory authorities and the SEC, respectively.

Further information regarding the Company can be located at www.goldreserveinc.com, www.sec.gov and www.sedar.com.

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