Hillenbrand, Inc. Form 8-K May 06, 2015

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): May 5, 2015

HILLENBRAND, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Indiana 1-33794 26-1342272

(State or Other Jurisdiction of

Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

One Batesville Boulevard

Batesville, Indiana 47006 (Address of Principal Executive Office) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (812) 934-7500

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On May 5, 2015, Hillenbrand, Inc. (the "Company") appointed Gary L. Collar to its Board of Directors. Mr. Collar will serve an initial term that will expire at the Company's 2016 annual meeting of shareholders, at which time it is expected that he will be nominated for a three-year term. Mr. Collar was also appointed to the Board's Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee and Compensation Committee.

The Company's press release announcing the appointment of Mr. Collar is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report.

Mr. Collar will be entitled to receive compensation for his service on the Board of Directors consistent with the Company's compensation program for non-employee directors, as described under the heading "Compensation of Directors" in the Company's proxy statement for its 2015 annual meeting of shareholders, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 7, 2015. That description is incorporated in this Current Report by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits. (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated May 6, 2015 issued by the Company.

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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.

HILLENBRAND, INC.

Date: May 6, 2015

BY: /s/ John R. Zerkle John R. Zerkle Senior Vice President,

General Counsel and Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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