CATERPILLAR INC Form 8-K April 12, 2017

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): April 11, 2017

CATERPILLAR INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-768 (Commission Fil&7-0602744 Nu(IR&) Employer Identification No.)

100 NE Adams Street, Peoria, Illinois 01629 (Address of (Zip Code) principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (309) 675-1000

Former name or former address, if changed since last report: N/A

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:

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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 Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On April 11, 2017, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Caterpillar Inc. (the "Company") elected Rayford Wilkins, Jr. as a member of the Board, effective immediately. The Board has not yet determined Mr. Wilkins' committee assignments. Mr. Wilkins' compensation will be consistent with the standard compensatory arrangement for non-employee directors described in the Company's most recent proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 25, 2016, under the heading "Director Compensation."

A copy of the Company's press release announcing the election of Mr. Wilkins is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

The following is included as an exhibit to this report:

99.1 Caterpillar Inc. press release dated April 12, 2017.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

CATERPILLAR INC.

April 12, 2017 By:/s/ Suzette M. Long
Suzette M. Long
Interim Executive Vice President, Law and Public Policy

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Caterpillar Inc. press release dated April 12, 2017.