

Hillenbrand, Inc.
Form 8-K
August 16, 2011

**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): **August 10, 2011**

HILLENBRAND, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Indiana
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

1-33794
(Commission File Number)

26-1342272
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

One Batesville Boulevard
Batesville, Indiana
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

47006
(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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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On August 10, 2011, Hillenbrand, Inc. (the Company) appointed Helen W. Cornell to its Board of Directors. Ms. Cornell will serve an initial term that will expire at the Company s 2012 annual meeting of shareholders, at which time it is expected that she will be nominated for a full three-year term. It has not yet been determined on which committees she will serve.

The Company s press release announcing the appointment of Ms. Cornell is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report.

Ms. Cornell will be entitled to receive compensation for her 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 2011 annual meeting of shareholders, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 6, 2011. 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 August 16, 2011, of Hillenbrand, Inc.

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: August 16, 2011

BY: /S/ Cynthia L. Lucchese
Cynthia L. Lucchese
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

DATE: August 16 2011

BY: /S/ John R. Zerkle
John R. Zerkle
Senior Vice President,
General Counsel & Secretary

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