

3M CO  
Form 8-K  
October 23, 2012

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, DC 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): **October 23, 2012**

**3M COMPANY**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**File No. 1-3285**  
(Commission File Number)

**41-0417775**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**3M Center, St. Paul, Minnesota**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**55144-1000**  
(Zip Code)

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(651) 733-1110

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(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 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 23, 2012, 3M Company issued a press release reporting third-quarter 2012 results and updating its 2012 performance expectations (attached hereunder as Exhibit 99 and incorporated herein by reference).

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

| Exhibit Number | Description   |
|----------------|---|
| 99             | Press Release, dated as of October 23, 2012, of 3M Company (furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 hereof) |

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 hereunto duly authorized.

3M COMPANY

By: /s/ Gregg M. Larson  
Gregg M. Larson,  
Deputy General Counsel and Secretary

Dated: October 23, 2012