NEWELL BRANDS INC Form 8-K October 04, 2018

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): October 4, 2018

NEWELL BRANDS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 1-9608 (Commission File Number) 36-3514169 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

of Incorporation)

221 River Street

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Hoboken, New Jersey 07030

(Address of principal executive offices including zip code)

(201) 610-6600

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

(b) James L. Cunningham III, Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer has informed Newell Brands Inc. (the Company) of his decision to leave the Company in 2019. Mr. Cunningham will remain in his position with the Company until the later of March 1, 2019 or the date the Company files its 2018 Annual Report on Form 10-K with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company has begun a search for Mr. Cunningham s successor. A copy of the internal announcement regarding Mr. Cunningham s departure is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

No. Description

99.1 Internal Announcement dated October 4, 2018

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.

Date: October 4, 2018 NEWELL BRANDS INC.

By: /s/ Bradford R. Turner Bradford R. Turner

Chief Legal & Administrative Officer

and Corporate Secretary