NATURAL GAS SERVICES GROUP INC Form 8-K January 08, 2016

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): January 6, 2016

NATURAL GAS SERVICES GROUP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Colorado (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-31398 (Commission File Number) 75-2811855

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

508 West Wall Street, Suite 550 Midland, TX 79701

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(432) 262-2700

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

N/A

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

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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 January 6, 2016, the Compensation Committee conducted its annual review of our President and Chief Executive Officer, Stephen C. Taylor. In connection with that review, the Committee increased the base salary of Mr. Taylor from \$543,063 to \$560,000, an increase of approximately 3%. Pursuant to the terms of Mr. Taylor's employment agreement and in recognition of his 2015 performance, the Company granted Mr. Taylor a restricted stock award totaling 75,915 shares of our common stock pursuant to our 2009 Restricted Stock/Unit Plan (the "Plan").

The closing price of our common stock on January 6, 2016 was \$22.13 per share. All 75,915 of the restricted shares are subject to a two year vesting requirement, although such vesting is subject to acceleration and all shares will immediately vest in the case of (i) death, disability, or retirement of the recipient employee, or (ii) a change of control in the Company, as set forth in the Plan. Also, under our Annual Incentive Bonus Plan, for 2016, the Committee maintained Mr. Taylor's target award opportunity of 100% of his base salary.

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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.

NATURAL GAS SERVICES GROUP, INC.

Dated: January 8, 2016

By: /s/ Stephen C. Taylor

Stephen C. Taylor President & Chief Executive Officer