

U.S. SILICA HOLDINGS, INC.  
Form 8-K  
December 19, 2013

**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): December 18, 2013

**U.S. Silica Holdings, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

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**001-35416**  
(Commission

**26-3718801**  
(IRS Employer

File Number)

Identification No.)

**8490 Progress Drive, Suite 300, Frederick, MD**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**21701**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(800) 345-6170**

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 Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

Effective December 18, 2013, Michael L. Winkler, age 49, was appointed to serve as Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of U.S. Silica Holdings, Inc. Mr. Winkler has served as U.S. Silica's Vice President of Operations since June 2011. Before joining U.S. Silica, Mr. Winkler was Vice President of Operations for Campbell Soup Company from August 2007 to June 2011 and held various positions with Mars Inc. from 1996 to August 2007, including Plant Manager Columbus Plant and Director of Industrial Engineering. Mr. Winkler earned a B.S. in industrial engineering from the University of Wisconsin Platteville and an M.B.A. from the University of North Texas. There are no relationships between Mr. Winkler and U.S. Silica or its subsidiaries that would require disclosure pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

A copy of U.S. Silica's press release announcing the appointment of Mr. Winkler is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release issued December 18, 2013.

**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: December 19, 2013

U.S. SILICA HOLDINGS, INC.

/s/ Christine C. Marshall  
Christine C. Marshall  
General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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