EMERSON ELECTRIC CO Form 8-K August 09, 2012

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 7, 2012

Emerson Electric Co.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Missouri 1-278 43-0259330

(State or Other (Commission (I.R.S. Employer Jurisdiction of File Number) Identification Number)

Incorporation)

8000 West Florissant Avenue

St. Louis, Missouri

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(314) 553-2000

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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- o 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.

(d) On August 7, 2012, the Board of Directors of Emerson Electric Co. (the "Company") elected Matthew S. Levatich, president and chief operating officer of Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Inc., as a Director of the Company. He will stand for election at the Company's 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Mr. Levatich was also appointed to serve as a member of the Compensation Committee.

Mr. Levatich will be compensated on the same basis as all other non-management Directors of the Company, as described under "Director Compensation" in the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. This includes an award of 1,240 shares of restricted stock, representing a \$62,500 pro rata award of the \$125,000 restricted stock portion of the annual retainer payable to all non-management Directors.

A copy of the August 7, 2012 press release announcing Mr. Levatich's election is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Description of Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated August 7, 2012.

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.

EMERSON ELECTRIC CO. (Registrant)

Date: August 9, 2012 By: /s/ Timothy G. Westman Timothy G. Westman

Vice President, Associate General Counsel

and Assistant Secretary

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