COLUMBUS MCKINNON CORP Form 8-K July 19, 2012

#### 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): July 16, 2012

### COLUMBUS MCKINNON CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

#### **NEW YORK**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-27618 16-0547600 (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

# 140 JOHN JAMES AUDUBON PARKWAY, AMHERST, NEW

14228-1197

YORK

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: (716) 689-5400

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; 5.02 APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS OF CERTAIN OF CERTAIN OFFICERS OF CERTAIN OFF

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On July 16, 2012 the Board of Directors of Columbus McKinnon Corporation (the "Company") authorized management to amend the non-qualified deferred compensation plan, effective January 1, 2013, providing defined contribution benefits for compensation in excess of the amounts specified in IRS code 401 (a) (17). As of the date of adoption, this includes the following named executive officers who are eligible to participate in the amended non-qualified deferred compensation plan: Timothy Tevens, Gene Buer, Charles Giesige, Alan Korman, Gregory Rustowicz, and Richard Steinberg. Under the terms of the Plan, the Company will provide contributions consistent with the benefits provided in our qualified defined contribution Plan on eligible earnings in excess of the IRS compensation limit.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

## COLUMBUS McKINNON CORPORATION

By: /s/ Gregory P. Rustowicz Name: Gregory P. Rustowicz

Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)

Dated: July 19, 2012