

TENNANT CO  
Form 8-K  
December 17, 2009

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 16, 2009

**TENNANT COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota  
(State or other  
jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

1-16191  
(Commission  
File Number)

41-0572550  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

701 North Lilac Drive, P.O. Box 1452  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
(Address of principal executive offices)

55440  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code                      (763) 540-1200

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 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.

Donal L. Mulligan was elected to the Company's board of directors effective December 16, 2009. Mr. Mulligan joined the class of directors whose terms expire at the 2011 annual meeting of shareholders. Mr. Mulligan was appointed to serve as a member of the Audit Committee and the Executive Committee of the board of directors. In connection with Mr. Mulligan's appointment to the Audit Committee, the board of directors determined that Mr. Mulligan satisfied the requirements of an "audit committee financial expert" and that his expertise has been acquired through relevant training and experience. A copy of the press release announcing Mr. Mulligan's election to the board of directors is attached as Exhibit 99 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Mr. Mulligan will receive the standard non-employee director compensation, the terms of which were disclosed in the Company's proxy statement for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders filed with the SEC on March 20, 2009.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed herewith:

99 News release announcing election of Donal L. Mulligan to the board.

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.

Tennant Company

Date: December 17, 2009

By: /s/ Heidi M. Wilson  
Heidi M. Wilson  
Vice President, General Counsel and  
Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	Description	Method of Filing
99	News Release dated December 16, 2009 announcing election of Donal L. Mulligan to the board.	Filed Electronically