

TENNECO INC  
Form 8-K  
October 28, 2010  
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

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Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 28, 2010 (October 28, 2010)

TENNECO INC.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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| Delaware  | 1-12387                  | 76-0515284   |
| (State or other jurisdiction of<br>incorporation or organization) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer of<br>Incorporation Identification No.) |

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| 500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE, LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS | 60045      |
| (Address of Principal Executive Offices)     | (Zip Code) |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (847) 482-5000

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On October 28, 2010, Tenneco Inc. announced its third quarter 2010 results of operations. Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K presents the company's press release, including the company's consolidated statements of income, balance sheets and statements of cash flows for the periods ended September 30, 2009 and 2010, as released by the company on October 28, 2010. Exhibit 99.1 also includes information regarding the company's scheduled conference call to discuss the company's results of operations for the third quarter of 2010, as well as other matters that may impact the company's outlook. Exhibit 99.1 is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

Exhibit No.      Description

99.1                  Press release issued October 28, 2010

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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.

TENNECO INC.

Date: October 28, 2010 By: /s/ Kenneth R. Trammell  
Kenneth R. Trammell  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer