

Weatherford International plc
Form 8-K
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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): November 9, 2016

Weatherford International public limited company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ireland
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

Bahnhofstrasse 1, 6340 Baar, Switzerland

001-36504
(Commission

File Number)

98-0606750
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

CH 6340

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +41.22.816.1500

N/A

(Former Name, Former Address and Former Fiscal Year, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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.

As of November 9, 2016, Weatherford International plc (the Company) has accepted the resignation of Bernard Duroc-Danner as Chief Executive Officer (CEO), President and Chairman of the Board of Directors (the Board) of the Company and appointed Mr. Krishna Shivram as interim CEO. Mr. Shivram will also continue as Chief Financial Officer until a new Chief Financial Officer is appointed in the coming days. Mr. Rayne, current Vice Chairman of the Board, will serve as Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Shivram was previously appointed Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company in November 2013. He has over 25 years of financial and operational management experience in the oilfield service industry and previously worked for Schlumberger Ltd. in a variety of roles across the globe. Immediately prior to joining Weatherford, Mr. Shivram served as Vice President and Treasurer of Schlumberger Ltd. since January 2011. Mr. Shivram is a Chartered Accountant and has experience in financial accounting, income taxes and treasury operations, along with a strong background in corporate finance and mergers and acquisitions.

The selection of Mr. Shivram was not pursuant to any arrangement or understanding between him and any other person. There is no family relationship between Mr. Shivram and any director or executive officer of the Company. The compensation arrangements for Mr. Shivram as disclosed in the Company's annual proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 26, 2016 (the Proxy Statement), remain in effect as of this time, although changes may occur in the future.

In connection with his resignation, Dr. Duroc-Danner will receive the compensation under Section 5(b) of his existing employment agreement, the material terms of which are described in the Proxy Statement.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On November 9, 2016, the Company issued a press release describing the matters in the first paragraph of Item 5.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The exhibit listed below is furnished pursuant to Item 9.01 of this Form 8-K and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description
99.1	News release dated November 9, 2016

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.

Weatherford International plc

Date: November 9, 2016

/s/ Christina M. Ibrahim
Christina M. Ibrahim
Executive Vice President and

General Counsel

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99.1	News release dated November 9, 2016