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):

Act.

March 3, 2021

CATERPILLAR INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

	Delaware	1-768			37-0602744	
	(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission Number)	File	(I.R.S E	Employer Identification No.)	
	510 Lake Cook Roa	d, Suite 100,	Deerfield,	Illinois	60015	
(Address of principal e		al executive offi	ces)		(Zip Code)	
	Registrant's telephone number, includ	ing area code:	(224)	551-400	0	
	Former name or former address, if	changed since	last report:	N/A		
	☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)					
	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)					
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))					
	☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))					
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:						
	Title of each class	Trading Sy	mbol (s)	Name of	each exchange which registered	
Comn	non Stock (\$1.00 par value)	CA	Т	The	e New York Stock Exchange	
9 3/8%	% Debentures due March 15, 2021	CAT	21	The New York Stock Exchange		
8% D	ebentures due February 15, 2023	CAT	23	The New York Stock Exchange		
5.3% Debentures due September 15, 2035		CAT	35	The New York Stock Exchange		
	the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K rant under any of the following provisions:	filing is intended	to simultaned	ously satisf	y the filing obligation of the	
Indica	te by check mark whether the registrant is a	n emerging grov	th company	as defined	by Rule 405 of the Securities Act o	
1933 chapte	(17 CFR §230.405 of this chapter) or Rule	12b-2 of the Se	curities Excha	ange Act o	of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2 of this	
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If an e	emerging growth company, indicate by check	k mark if the regi	strant has ele	cted not to	use the extended transition period	
for co	mplying with any new or revised financial ac	counting standar	ds provided	oursuant to	Section 13(a) of the Exchange	

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On February 25, 2021, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Caterpillar Inc. (the "Company") elected Gerald Johnson. as a member of the Board, effective March 1, 2021. Mr. Johnson will serve as a member of the Public Policy and Governance Committee. Mr. Johnson's compensation will be consistent with the standard compensatory arrangement for non-employee directors described in the Company's most recent proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 29, 2020, under the heading "Director Compensation."

A copy of the Company's press release announcing the election of Mr. Johnson is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit <u>Number</u>	Description
99.1	Caterpillar Inc. press release dated February 25, 2021
104	The cover page from this Current Report on Form 8-K, formatted in Inline XBRL.

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.

CATERPILLAR INC.

March 3, 2021 By: /s/ Suzette M. Long

Suzette M. Long Chief Legal Officer & General Counsel