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February 23, 2016

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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):

February 18, 2016

Eastman Chemical Company

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-12626

62-1539359

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

200 South Wilcox Drive, Kingsport, TN (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

37662 (Zip Code)

(423) 229-2000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 5.02(b) - Departure of Certain Officers

On February 23, 2016 Eastman Chemical Company (the "Company") announced the retirement of Chief Operating Officer Ronald C. Lindsay effective July 1, 2016, the retirement of one other executive officer effective April 1, 2016, and two executive officer appointments each effective July 1, 2016.

The text of the Company's release announcing these executive retirements and appointments is filed as Exhibit 99.01 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by this reference.

SIGNATURES

Date: February 23, 2016

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.

Eastman Chemical Company

By: /s/ Brian L. Henry Name: Brian L. Henry

Title: Senior Securities - Governance Counsel and

Assistant Secretary