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TENNANT CO Form 8-K July 25, 2018

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) July 25, 2018

TENNANT COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota 1-16191 41-0572550 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

701 North Lilac Drive, P.O. Box 1452

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55440 (Address of principal executive offices) (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):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) Tom Paulson, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Tennant Company, submitted his notice of retirement on July 24, 2018, with an expected effective date in the first quarter of 2019. Mr. Paulson has committed to remain with the company until his successor is appointed, and then remain with the company during a transition period until his retirement date.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed herewith:
 - News release announcing retirement of Tom Paulson.

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.

Tennant Company

Date: July 25, 2018 By:/s/ Carol McKnight

Carol McKnight

Senior Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number Description

News release announcing retirement of Tom Paulson.

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