

**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): **January 23, 2012**

**HILLENBRAND, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Indiana**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**1-33794**  
(Commission File Number)

**26-1342272**  
(IRS Employer Identification  
No.)

**One Batesville Boulevard**  
**Batesville, Indiana**  
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

**47006**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(812) 934-7500**

**Not Applicable**  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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:

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

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

Effective January 30, 2012, Scott P. George, age 57, has agreed with Hillenbrand, Inc. (the "Company") to become the Senior Vice President, Corporate Development. This announcement is more fully described in the press release filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. The contents of such Exhibit are incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated January 23, 2012 issued by the Company.

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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.

DATE: January 23, 2012

**HILLENBRAND, INC.**

BY: /S/ Cynthia L. Lucchese  
Cynthia L. Lucchese  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

DATE: January 23, 2012

BY: /S/ John R. Zerkle

John R. Zerkle  
Senior Vice President,  
General Counsel and Secretary

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## Scott George Joins Hillenbrand as Senior Vice President, Corporate Development

**BATESVILLE, Ind., Jan. 23, 2012** — /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ — Hillenbrand (NYSE: HI) has named Scott P. George as senior vice president, corporate development, effective Jan. 30, 2012. Scott will be responsible for furthering the company's growth strategy through mergers and acquisitions.

"As our primary outside acquisition advisor, Scott has already been an integral part of two major — and extremely successful — Hillenbrand acquisitions over the past three years," said Kenneth A. Camp, Hillenbrand's president and chief executive officer. "We know and value Scott's contributions highly and are delighted to have him join the Hillenbrand leadership team, helping to execute our acquisition strategy to drive increases in shareholder value."

George has more than 30 years of investment banking experience advising on more than 250 transactions. He most recently served as managing director and head of the Illinois practice for P&M Corporate Finance, LLC, in Chicago. Prior to that, he held a similar position at Morgan Joseph & Co. George's experience also includes merger and acquisition advisory roles at Ernst & Young Corporate Finance, Salomon Brothers Inc., Morgan Stanley & Co. and Bankers Trust Co. A graduate of Northwestern University in economics, George earned his M.B.A. from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business.

"I'm very excited to take on this important role at Hillenbrand, a strong company that is already quite familiar to me," George said. "Over my career, I've worked with hundreds of public and private companies, and I've never felt better about a company's stellar management team, strategy and long-term growth opportunity than I do about Hillenbrand's. I look forward to actively helping the company execute a growth and acquisition strategy that I understand and believe in."

### ABOUT HILLENBRAND

Hillenbrand ([www.HillenbrandInc.com](http://www.HillenbrandInc.com)) is a global diversified manufacturing enterprise that makes and sells premium business-to-business products and services for a wide variety of industries. We pursue profitable growth and meaningful dividends for our shareholders by leveraging our leading brands, robust cash generation capabilities and strong core competencies. HI-INC-E

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