ARCHER DANIELS MIDLAND CO Form 8-K March 09, 2012

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): March 6, 2012

ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission	41-0129150 (IRS Employer
of incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)
4666 Faries Park	kway	
Decatur, Illinois		62526
(Address of principal exec Registrant s tele	cutive offices) ephone number, including area code: (2)	(Zip Code) 17) 424-5200

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

On March 6, 2012, Archer-Daniels-Midland Company (ADM) announced that John D. Rice, Vice Chairman, has elected to retire and that David J. Smith, Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel, has announced his intention to retire later this year. A copy of the press release announcing these retirements is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed or furnished herewith:

99.1 Press release dated March 6, 2012

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: March 9, 2012

ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND COMPANY

By /s/ David J. Smith

David J. Smith

Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

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