NATURAL GAS SERVICES GROUP INC Form 8-K February 21, 2017

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): February 14, 2017

NATURAL GAS SERVICES GROUP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Colorado 1-31398 75-2811855

(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

508 West Wall Street, Suite 550 Midland, TX 79701

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(432) 262-2700

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address if Changed Since Last Report)

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

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

On February 14, 2017, the Compensation Committee conducted its annual review of our President and Chief Executive Officer, Stephen C. Taylor. In connection with that review, the Committee increased the base salary of Mr. Taylor from \$560,000 to \$576,800, an increase of 3%. In recognition of his 2016 performance and the Company's financial and stock performance, the Company granted Mr. Taylor a restricted stock award totaling 70,464 shares of our common stock pursuant to our 2009 Restricted Stock/Unit Plan (the "Plan").

The closing price of our common stock on February 14, 2017 was \$28.65 per share. All 70,464 of the restricted shares are subject to a three year vesting requirement, although such vesting is subject to acceleration and all shares will immediately vest in the case of (i) death, disability, or retirement of the recipient employee, or (ii) a change of control in the Company, as set forth in the Plan. Also, under our Annual Incentive Bonus Plan, for 2017, the Committee maintained Mr. Taylor's target award opportunity of 100% of his base salary.

## **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.

NATURAL GAS SERVICES GROUP, INC.

Dated: February 21, 2017

By: /s/ Stephen C. Taylor

Stephen C. Taylor President & Chief Executive Officer