

POLYONE CORP  
Form 8-K  
March 15, 2016

**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 9, 2016**

**PolyOne Corporation**

**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)**

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

**1-16091**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**  
**PolyOne Center**

**34-1730488**  
**(IRS Employer**  
  
**Identification No.)**

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**33587 Walker Road**

**Avon Lake, Ohio 44012**

**(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (440) 930-1000**

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

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

On March 9, 2016, Stephen D. Newlin, the Executive Chairman of PolyOne Corporation (the Company), notified the Board of Directors (the Board) of the Company that he intends to retire as Executive Chairman, effective as of the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders on May 12, 2016, and he will not stand for re-election as a director.

On March 10, 2016, the Board appointed Robert M. Patterson Chairman of the Board, effective upon Mr. Newlin's retirement. Mr. Patterson will continue to serve as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Furthermore, Richard H. Fearon will continue to serve as Lead Director of the Board.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**PolyOne Corporation**

By: /s/ Lisa K. Kunkle  
Lisa K. Kunkle  
Senior Vice President, General Counsel  
and Secretary

Date: March 15, 2016