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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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): October 14, 2010 (October 13, 2010) TENNECO INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 1-12387 76-0515284
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) Number) Identification No.)

#### 500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE, LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

60045

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (847) 482-5000

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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# ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS.

On October 13, 2010, Tenneco Inc. (the Company ) announced that Frank E. Macher retired from the Company s board of directors, effective as of October 13, 2010. A copy of the press release, dated October 13, 2010, announcing Mr. Macher s retirement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated herein by reference.

#### ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

#### (d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated October 13, 2010

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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.

#### TENNECO INC.

Date: October 14, 2010 By: /s/ James D. Harrington

James D. Harrington

Senior Vice President, General Counsel

and Corporate Secretary