MANITOWOC CO INC Form 8-K October 24, 2007

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): October 23, 2007

The Manitowoc Company, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Wisconsin

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-11978

(Commission File Number)

39-0448110

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

2400 S. 44th Street, Manitowoc, Wisconsin 54221-0066 (Address of principal executive offices including zip code)

(920) 684-4410

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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 (see General Instructions A.2. below):
o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
o 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 Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On October 23, 2007, Mr. Robert S. Throop advised the Board of Directors and the Company that he has decided that he will retire and not stand for reelection to the Board of Directors when his term expires in May of 2008. His decision does not relate to any disagreement with the Company or its executive officers.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

THE MANITOWOC COMPANY, INC.

(Registrant)

DATE: October 24, 2007 Name: /s/ Maurice D. Jones

Maurice D. Jones

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary