MIDDLEBY CORP Form 8-K November 10, 2015

# 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): November 5, 2015

## THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Delaware** (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **1-9973** (Commission File Number)

36-3352497 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

**1400 Toastmaster Drive, Elgin, Illinois** (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**60120** (Zip Code)

(847) 741-3300

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

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

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:
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 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 Arrangements of Certain Officers.
On November 5, 2015, the Board of Directors (the <u>Board</u> ) of The Middleby Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the <u>Company</u> ), appointed Cathy McCarthy to serve as a member of the Board and the audit committee of the Board until the Company s next annual meeting of stockholders and until her successor is duly elected and qualified, or until her earlier death, resignation or removal.
Ms. McCarthy will participate in the compensation arrangements for nonemployee members of the Board described in the Definitive Proxy Statement of the Company filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 2, 2015.
A copy of the press release issued by the Company on November 9, 2015, regarding Ms. McCarthy s appointment is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference into this Item 5.02(d) disclosure.
Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.
(d) Exhibits
Exhibit No. Description
The Middleby Corporation press release dated November 9, 2015.

#### **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.

November 10, 2015

#### THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION

By: /s/ Timothy J. Fitzgerald

Name: Timothy J. Fitzgerald

Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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#### EXHIBIT INDEX

**Exhibit No.**99.1 Description
The Middleby Corporation press release dated November 9, 2015.

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