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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 22, 2016

International Paper Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number 1-3157

New York (State or other jurisdiction

13-0872805 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

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6400 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (901) 419-9000

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

SECTION 5. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT.

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

On March 22, 2016, Terri L. Herrington, Vice President, Finance, and Controller, notified International Paper Company (the Company) that she plans to retire on December 31, 2016.

Vincent P. Bonnot has been appointed Vice President, Finance, and Controller, effective July 1, 2016. Mr. Bonnot, age 45, currently serves as Chief Financial Officer, International Paper Europe, Middle East and Africa (IP EMEA), a position he has held since November 2013. He previously served as Finance Director for the IP EMEA packaging business from June 2010 to November 2013, and as Director of Strategic Planning for IP EMEA from September 2008 (when he joined the Company) to June 2010.

There have been no transactions since the beginning of the Company s last fiscal year, and there are no currently proposed transactions, in which the Company was or is to be a participant and in which Mr. Bonnot (or any member of his immediate family) had or will have any interest, that are required to be reported under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K. The appointment of Mr. Bonnot was not pursuant to any arrangement or understanding between him and any person, other than a director or executive officer of the Company acting in his or her official capacity.

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.

Date: March 28, 2016

International Paper Company

By: /s/ SHARON R. RYAN

Name: Sharon R. Ryan

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and

Corporate Secretary

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