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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

September 5, 2017

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

ESTERLINE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction **001-06357** (Commission

13-2595091 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File No.) Identification No.)

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500-108th Avenue NE, Bellevue, Washington (Address of principal executive offices) (425) 453-9400

98004 (Zip Code)

(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:

Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On September 5, 2017, the U.S. Department of State s Directorate of Defense Trade Controls Office of Defense Trade Controls Compliance (DTCC) notified Esterline Technologies Corporation (Company) that it is closing the Consent Agreement entered into by the Company and the DTCC on March 5, 2014. The closing of the Consent Agreement was based on the Company s certifications that all aspects of the Consent Agreement have been implemented and that the Company s trade compliance program is adequate to identify, prevent, detect, correct, and report violations of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA) and International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR), as well as the DTCC s assessment that the Company has fulfilled the terms of the Consent Agreement.

The Consent Agreement settled then-pending AECA and ITAR compliance matters with the DTCC resulting from voluntary reports the Company had filed with the DTCC that disclosed possible technical and administrative violations of the ITAR. The Consent Agreement had a three-year term and provided for: (i) a payment of \$20 million, \$10 million of which was suspended and fully offset against DTCC-approved costs the Company incurred to implement compliance measures; (ii) the appointment of an external Special Compliance Official to oversee compliance with the Consent Agreement and the ITAR; (iii) two external audits of the Company s ITAR compliance program; and (iv) continued implementation of ongoing remedial compliance measures and additional remedial compliance measures related to automated systems and ITAR compliance policies, procedures, and training. The \$10 million portion of the settlement that was not subject to suspension was paid in installments beginning in 2014 and ending in February 2017.

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.

ESTERLINE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

Dated: September 7, 2017 By: /s/ MARCIA J. MASON

Name: Marcia J. Mason

Title: Executive Vice President & General Counsel