MSA Safety Inc Form 8-K May 14, 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): May 12, 2015

MSA SAFETY INCORPORATED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania 1-15579 46-4914539

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Number)

1000 Cranberry Woods Drive

Cranberry Township, PA 16066 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 724-776-8600

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:

[&]quot;Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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

[&]quot;Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On May 12, 2015, the Board of Directors of the Company adopted a new stock repurchase program to replace its existing program. The new program authorizes up to \$100 million in repurchases of common stock in the open market and in private transactions. The Board did not set a termination date for the new program. A press release announcing the repurchase program was issued and is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) The following exhibits are furnished with this report on Form 8-K.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 MSA Safety Incorporated Press Release dated May 13, 2015.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, MSA Safety Incorporated has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MSA SAFETY INCORPORATED (Registrant)

By /s/ Stacy P. McMahan

Stacy P. McMahan

Senior Vice President of Finance, Chief Financial Officer, and Treasurer

Date: May 14, 2015

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