

GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO /OH/
Form 8-K
June 04, 2009

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):

June 2, 2009

The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio

1-1927

34-0253240

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1144 East Market Street, Akron, Ohio

44316-0001

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

330-796-2121

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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

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

On June 2, 2009, the Board of Directors of The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company ("Goodyear") elected Richard J. Kramer as Chief Operating Officer, effective immediately. Mr. Kramer will continue as President, North American Tire, a position he has held since March 14, 2007, until his successor is named.

Mr. Kramer joined Goodyear in March 2000 as Vice President - Corporate Finance, serving in that capacity as Goodyear's principal accounting officer until August 2002, when he was elected Vice President, Finance - North American Tire. In August 2003, he was named Senior Vice President, Strategic Planning and Restructuring, and in June 2004 was elected Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Kramer served as Chief Financial Officer until August 7, 2007. Prior to joining Goodyear, Mr. Kramer was with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for 13 years, including two years as a partner. Mr. Kramer is 45 years old.

A copy of Goodyear's press release announcing Mr. Kramer's appointment is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibit 99.1 - News release, dated June 4, 2009

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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.

June 4, 2009

The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company

By: *C. Thomas Harvie*

Name: C. Thomas Harvie

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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| <u>Exhibit No.</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| 99.1 | News release, dated June 4, 2009 |