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Form 8-K March 18, 2019

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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 15, 2019

PIER 1 IMPORTS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

<u>DELAWARE</u> <u>001-07832</u> <u>75-1729843</u>

(I.R.S.

**Employer** 

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission

Identification

of Incorporation) File Number) No.)

100 Pier 1 Place

Fort Worth, Texas 76102

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code 817-252-8000

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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

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

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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.

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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.

Effective March 14, 2019, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Pier 1 Imports, Inc. (the "Company") awarded a one-time cash retention bonus in the amount of \$50,000 to Darla D. Ramirez, Vice President and Controller of the Company's operating subsidiaries and a named executive officer, payable with the pay period ending March 23, 2019. The retention bonus is subject to a clawback provision in the event Ms. Ramirez voluntarily terminates her employment with the Company or any of its affiliates, or if her employment is terminated by the Company or any of its affiliates due to a violation of any Company policy, in either event on or before September 23, 2019.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

10.1 Form of Retention Bonus Repayment Agreement between Pier 1 Services Company and Darla D. Ramirez.

### **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.

#### PIER 1 IMPORTS, INC.

Date: March 15, 2019 By: /s/ Robert E. Bostrom

Robert E. Bostrom, Executive Vice

President, Chief Legal and

Compliance Officer and Corporate

Secretary