

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO  
Form 8-K  
December 14, 2012

**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): December 11, 2012

**MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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<b>Pennsylvania</b> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	<b>1-15579</b> (Commission File Number)	<b>25-0668780</b> (IRS Employer Identification Number)
<b>1000 Cranberry Woods Drive</b>		
<b>Cranberry Township, PA</b> (Address of principal executive offices)		<b>16066</b> (Zip Code)
<b>Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 724-776-8600</b>		

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

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

*Election of Director*

On December 11, 2012 the Board of Directors of Mine Safety Appliances Company elected Alvaro Garcia-Tunon to the Company's Board of Directors. The Company's press release announcing the election is filed as an exhibit to this report.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is being furnished as part of this Report.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated December 14, 2012

SIGNATURE

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 thereunto duly authorized.

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY  
(Registrant)

By /s/ Douglas K. McClaine  
Douglas K. McClaine  
Vice President, General Counsel  
and Secretary

Date: December 14, 2012