Woodward, Inc. Form 8-K January 28, 2011

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): | January 26, 2011 |
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Woodward, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

| Delaware | 0-8408 | 36-1984010 |
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| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |
| 1000 East Drake Road, Fort Collins, Colorado | | 80525 |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | | (Zip Code) |
| Registrant s telephone number, including | ng area code: | 970-482-5811 |
| | Woodward Governor Company | |
| Former r | name or former address, if changed since l | ast report |
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| Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K fithe following provisions: | iling is intended to simultaneously satisfy | the filing obligation of the registrant under any of |
| [] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 to [] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 und [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 425 to [] Pre-commencement co | ler the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12 to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act |) (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) |

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Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

On January 26, 2011, Woodward, Inc. (formerly known as Woodward Governor Company) (the Company) filed a Certificate of Amendment of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company with the Delaware Secretary of State to change its name to Woodward, Inc. Also on January 26, 2011, the Board of Directors of the Company approved amendments to the Company s Bylaws to reflect the name change. The Certificate of Amendment of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company is filed as Exhibit 3.1 hereto and is hereby incorporated by reference. The Bylaws of the Company, as amended and restated on January 26, 2011, are filed as Exhibit 3.2 hereto and are hereby incorporated by reference.

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

On January 26, 2011, the Company held its 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the 2010 Annual Meeting). The stockholders considered five proposals, each of which is described more fully in the Company s proxy statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting. The sixth proposal described in the Company s proxy statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting, a stockholder proposal to eliminate supermajority voting, was not voted upon at the 2010 Annual Meeting because neither the proponent, nor a representative on behalf of the proponent, attended the 2010 Annual Meeting to present the stockholder proposal. Set forth below are the final voting results on each matter submitted to a vote of the Company s stockholders for the 2010 Annual Meeting.

Proposal 1. Election of three directors for a three-year term to expire in 2014:

| | For | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|---------------------|------------|------------|-------------------------|
| Mary L. Petrovich | 29,852,603 | 23,877,583 | 8,249,594 |
| Larry E. Rittenberg | 28,335,828 | 25,394,358 | 8,249,594 |
| Michael T. Yonker | 27,853,088 | 25,877,098 | 8,249,594 |

Proposal 2. Ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm:

| For | 60,891,927 |
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| Against | 862,338 |
| Abstain | 225,515 |

Proposal 3. Amendment to the Company s Certificate of Incorporation to effect a name change:

| For | 59,129,675 |
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| Against | 2,707,559 |
| Abstain | 142,546 |

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Proposal 4. Advisory vote on executive compensation:

| For | 49,705,591 |
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| Against | 3,320,017 |

| Abstain | 704,578 |
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| Broker Non-Votes | 8,249,594 |

Proposal 5. Advisory vote regarding frequency of stockholder advisory votes on executive compensation:

| For Option #1 (Every Year) | 30,171,876 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| For Option #2 (Every Two Years) | 1,930,738 |
| For Option #3 (Every Three Years) | 20,766,543 |
| Abstain | 861,029 |
| Broker Non-Votes | 8,249,594 |

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On January 26, 2011, the Company issued a press release announcing its name change. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is hereby incorporated by reference.

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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.

Woodward, Inc.

January 27, 2011

By: A. Christopher Fawzy

Name: A. Christopher Fawzy

Title: Corporate Vice President, General Counsel, Chief

Compliance Officer and Corporate Secretary

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| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 3.1 | Certificate of Amendment of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation |
| 3.2 | Bylaws of Woodward, Inc., as amended and restated on January 26, 2011 |
| 99.1 | Press Release of Woodward, Inc., dated January 26, 2011 |