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GRACO INC Form 8-K December 03, 2010

> 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 2, 2010 Graco Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota 001-9249 41-0285640 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) Identification No.) File Number) 88-11th Avenue Northeast Minneapolis, Minnesota 55413 (Zip Code) (Address of principal executive offices) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (612) 623-6000 Not Applicable (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: Written communications pursuant to Rule-425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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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 December 2, 2010, the Board of Directors (the Board) of Graco Inc. (the Company) elected Mr. Eric P. Etchart as a director of the Company, effective immediately. Mr. Etchart was elected to the class of directors whose terms expire at the 2013 annual meeting of shareholders of the Company.

Mr. Etchart has been appointed to serve on the Board s Audit and Management Organization and Compensation Committees. In connection with his election, Mr. Etchart will be receiving the standard director compensation as referenced in our Proxy Statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

Date: December 3, 2010

99.1 Press Release dated December 3, 2010 announcing that Mr. Eric P. Etchart has joined the Board

of Directors of Graco Inc. effective December 2, 2010.

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.

GRACO INC.

/s/Karen Park Gallivan

Karen Park Gallivan

Vice President, General Counsel &

Secretary