

STONERIDGE INC  
Form 8-K  
January 19, 2017

**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 12, 2017

**Commission file number: 001-13337**

**STONERIDGE, INC.**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

Ohio                                      34-1598949  
(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer  
incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

39675 MacKenzie Drive, Suite 400, Novi, Michigan 48377  
(Address of principal executive offices)                                      (Zip Code)

**(248) 489-9300**

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

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):

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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.**

On January 12, 2017, George E. Strickler, Executive Vice President of Stoneridge, Inc. (the “Company”), provided a letter to the Company notifying the Company of his intention to retire from the Company on April 30, 2017.

Mr. Strickler accepted the position of Executive Vice President in August 2016 to work with Stoneridge leadership to advance the Company’s growth initiatives and business opportunities. Prior to accepting that position, Mr. Strickler served as the Company’s Chief Financial Officer from January 2006 until August 2016. He was instrumental in the Company’s growth and operational and financial repositioning over the past 11 years, including the refinancing of the Company’s high interest rate debt and the sale of the Company’s wiring business in 2014, among other major initiatives that have transformed the Company. Mr. Strickler intends to remaining active in the business community serving on the board of Technical Consumer Products, Inc. and with other business opportunities that do not compete with the Company.

**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.

**Stoneridge, Inc.**

Date: January 19, 2017 /s/ Robert R. Krakowiak  
Robert R. Krakowiak,

Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

(Principal Financial Officer)