SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO Form 8-K February 02, 2016

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 29, 2016

The Sherwin-Williams Company

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Ohio (State or Other Jurisdiction 1-04851 (Commission 34-0526850 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

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101 West Prospect Avenue

Cleveland, Ohio 44115 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) (216) 566-2000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 5.02. <u>Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain</u> <u>Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers</u>.

On January 29, 2016, Richard K. Smucker notified The Sherwin-Williams Company (Sherwin-Williams) of his decision to retire from the Board of Directors (the Board) of Sherwin-Williams at the end of his current term. Mr. Smucker will continue to serve as a director until Sherwin-Williams 2016 Annual Meeting of Shareholders scheduled to be held on April 20, 2016 and will not be standing for re-election to the Board at such meeting. Mr. Smucker has served as a director of Sherwin-Williams since 1991. Mr. Smucker's decision to retire was not due to any disagreement with Sherwin-Williams on any matter relating to Sherwin-Williams operations, policies or practices.

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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.

THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY

By: /s/ Catherine M. Kilbane Catherine M. Kilbane Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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