COOPER TIRE & RUBBER CO Form 8-K December 20, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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 14, 2010

COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 001-04329 344297750
(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

701 Lima Avenue, Findlay, Ohio 45840 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (419) 423-1321

Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On December 20, 2010, Cooper Tire & Rubber Company (the "Company") announced that an agreement has been reached to increase the Company's ownership in its affiliated Mexico operations. The Company will increase its percentage ownership position in Corporacion de Occidente SA de CV ("Occidente") from 38 percent to 58 percent and its percentage ownership position in Cooper Tire & Rubber Company de Mexico SA de CV ("Cooper Mexico") from 50 percent to approximately 100 percent. The costs to increase its ownership interests in both Occidente and Cooper Mexico is currently valued at approximately \$22 million. As a result of the increased ownership position, which is currently expected to be effective January 1, 2011, Occidente and Cooper Mexico will be fully consolidated into the Company's 2011 financial results.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release, dated December 20, 2010

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.

COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY

By:

Name: Jack Jay McCracken

Title: Assistant Secretary

Date: December 20, 2010

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99.1 Press Release, dated December 20, 2010