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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): March 10, 2011 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 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 10, 2011, Mr. James E. Kline, Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Cooper Tire & Rubber Company (the Company), announced that he plans to retire from the Company effective May 31, 2011, and will resign from his position as Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary effective April 4, 2011.

Effective May 31, 2011, 30,000 stock options granted to Mr. Kline on April 6, 2009 will vest. These stock options would have vested on April 6, 2012. The terms for exercise of these accelerated options will be pursuant to the standard terms and conditions of the Company s Incentive Compensation Plan. Mr. Kline has not been granted any new stock options in 2011 or any other special compensation in connection with his retirement from the Company.

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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.

COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY

By: /s/ Jack Jay McCracken

Name: Jack Jay McCracken Title: Assistant Secretary

Date: March 14, 2011