## 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): October 7, 2008

# ITT CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Indiana (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-5672 (Commission File Number) 13-5158950 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1133 Westchester Avenue White Plains, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

10604 (Zip Code)

(914) 641-2000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

#### 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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- o 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 Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On October 7, 2008, the Company's Board of Directors approved amendments, as recommended by the Compensation and Personnel Committee of the Board on October 6, 2008, to the ITT Excess Pension Plan IA, the ITT Excess Pension Plan IB and the ITT Excess Pension Plans IIA and IIB (collectively, the "Excess Pension Plans") of the Company to ensure that payouts of pension benefits upon a Change of Control of the Company comply with the requirements of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. These amendments, which become effective on January 1, 2009, do not change the previously disclosed definition of Change in Control in the Excess Pension Plans but provide that payouts of pension amounts earned since January 1, 2005 require a Change in Control involving an acceleration event of 30% or more of the Company's outstanding stock.

#### **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.

### ITT CORPORATION

Date: October 8, 2008 By: /s/ Kathleen S. Stolar

Kathleen S. Stolar

Its: Vice President, Secretary and Associate General Counsel