
**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): March 18, 2013

Kennametal Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Pennsylvania
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-5318
(Commission
File Number)

25-0900168
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

World Headquarters
1600 Technology Way
P.O. Box 231
Latrobe, Pennsylvania
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

15650-0231
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (724) 539-5000

(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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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 18, 2013, Kennametal Inc. issued a press release announcing the appointment of Saeid Rahimian as its new Executive Vice President, Infrastructure effective April 1, 2013. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Saeid Rahimian Press Release dated March 18, 2013.

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

KENNAMETAL INC.

Date: March 18, 2013

By: /s/ Kevin G. Nowe
Kevin G. Nowe
Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

PRESS RELEASE

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

DATE: March 18, 2013

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Kennametal Names Saeid Rahimian
Executive Vice President, Infrastructure Business Group

LATROBE, Pa., March 18, 2013 - Kennametal Inc. (NYSE: KMT) today announced the appointment of Saeid Rahimian, age 55, to the position of executive vice president, Infrastructure business group, effective April 1, 2013. He will report to Carlos Cardoso, Kennametal chairman, president and chief executive officer. Rahimian will be responsible for leading Kennametal's global Infrastructure business, which serves the earthworks and energy markets.

Prior to joining Kennametal, Rahimian was senior vice president and president of Robbins & Myers Energy Services Group in Willis, Texas. Previously, Rahimian held numerous business, sales and marketing leadership positions at U.S. Coach Works and Robbins & Myers, Inc. He brings more than 25 years of experience in global business, engineering, sales and marketing expertise.

Rahimian holds a Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering from the University of Evansville, and a Master of Science in mechanical engineering from The Ohio State University. In addition, he is a graduate of the Harvard Business School Advanced Management Program.

Celebrating its 75th year as an industrial technology leader, Kennametal Inc. delivers productivity to customers seeking peak performance in demanding environments. The company provides innovative wear-resistant products and application engineering backed by advanced material science, serving customers in 60 countries across diverse sectors of aerospace, earthworks, energy, industrial production, transportation and infrastructure. With approximately 13,000 employees and nearly

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\$3 billion in sales, the company realizes half of its revenue from outside North America, and 40% globally from innovations introduced in the past five years. Recognized among the “World’s Most Ethical Companies” (Ethisphere); “Outstanding Corporate Innovator” (Product Development Management Association); and “America’s Safest Companies” (EHS Today) with a focus on 100% safety, Kennametal and its foundation invest in technical education, industrial technologies and material science to deliver the promise of progress and economic prosperity to people everywhere. For more information, visit the company’s website at www.kennametal.com.

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