## 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 10, 2018

Emerson Electric Co. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter) 1-278 Missouri 43-0259330 (Commission (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number) 8000 West Florissant Avenue 63136 St. Louis, Missouri (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (314) 553-2000

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

" Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

This notice is being provided by Emerson Electric Co. (the "Company") regarding the transition of its Chief Accounting Officer role.

On January 10, 2018, Richard J. Schlueter informed the Company that he would retire from the Company, effective March 31, 2018. In order to provide an orderly transition, the Company and Mr. Schlueter determined that he would resign as Chief Accounting Officer of the Company effective February 6, 2018 (the "Resignation Date"), in connection with the Company's regular annual appointment of Company officers.

The Company determined that upon Mr. Schlueter's resignation as Chief Accounting Officer on February 6, 2018, Mr. Michael J. Baughman, 52, will succeed Mr. Schlueter and be appointed as the Company's new Chief Accounting Officer. Mr. Baughman was appointed Vice President and Controller of the Company in October 2017. Prior to that Mr. Baughman was Vice President, Finance, Global Operations, Quality, and Research and Development of Baxter International Inc., a global healthcare products company, from 2015 through September 2017, Vice President, Finance, Medical Products of Baxter from 2013 to 2015 and Corporate Controller of Baxter from 2005 to 2013. Mr. Baughman received no additional compensation in connection with his appointment as Chief Accounting Officer of the Company.

### Forward-Looking and Cautionary Statements

Date: January 16, 2018

Statements in this Current Report on Form 8-K that are not strictly historical may be "forward-looking" statements, which involve risks and uncertainties, and Emerson undertakes no obligation to update any such statements to reflect later developments. These risks and uncertainties include economic and currency conditions, market demand, pricing, protection of intellectual property, and competitive and technological factors, among others, as set forth in the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and subsequent reports filed with the SEC.

#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

EMERSON ELECTRIC CO. (Registrant)

By: /s/ John G. Shively

John G. Shively Vice President and Assistant Secretary