

Rexnord Corp
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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-A/A

Amendment No. 1
To
REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES
PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

REXNORD CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware (State of incorporation or organization) | 20-5197013 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |
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| 4701 West Greenfield Avenue Milwaukee, Wisconsin (Address of principal executive offices) | 53214 (Zip Code) |
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Securities to be registered under Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class to be so registered | Name of each exchange on which each class is to be registered |
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| Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value | New York Stock Exchange |
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If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), check the following box. "

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box. "

Securities Act registration file number to which this form relates: N/A

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None.

This Amendment to Form 8-A is being filed to provide an updated description of the registered Common Stock of Rexnord Corporation (the "Company", "we" or "us"), which description is in Item 1 below (the only item being amended).

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Item 1. Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered.

The authorized capital stock of the Company consists of 200,000,000 shares of common stock and 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock, the rights and preferences of which may be designated by the board of directors. As of June 30, 2014, there were 101,322,144 shares of common stock issued and outstanding and no shares of preferred stock issued and outstanding. All of our existing common stock is validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

The discussion below describes the most important terms of our capital stock, certificate of incorporation and bylaws. Because it is only a summary, it does not contain all the information that may be important to you. For a complete description refer to our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, which are exhibits to our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K (subject to any subsequent Current Reports on Form 8-K reporting amendments to those documents), and to the applicable provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL").

Common Stock

Voting Rights. The holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters submitted for action by the stockholders. There is no provision for cumulative voting with respect to the election of directors.

Dividend Rights. All shares of our common stock are entitled to share equally in any dividends our board of directors may declare from legally available sources, subject to the terms of any outstanding preferred stock. Our credit agreement imposes, and any other debt instruments may impose, restrictions on our ability to declare dividends with respect to our common stock.

Liquidation Rights. Upon liquidation or dissolution of the Company, whether voluntary or involuntary, all shares of our common stock are entitled to share equally in the assets available for distribution to stockholders after payment of all of our prior obligations, including any preferential rights afforded to then-outstanding preferred stock.

Other Matters. The holders of our common stock have no preemptive or conversion rights, and our common stock is not subject to further calls or assessments by us. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to our common stock.

Dividend Policy

We currently intend to retain all future earnings, if any, for use in the operation of our business and to fund future growth. In addition, our credit agreement limits our ability to pay dividends or other distributions on our common stock. The decision whether to pay dividends will be made by our board of

directors in light of conditions then existing, including factors such as our results of operations, financial condition and requirements, business conditions and covenants under any applicable contractual arrangements.

Preferred Stock

Our board of directors, without further stockholder approval, may issue, from time to time, up to an aggregate of 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock in one or more series and to fix or alter the designations, preferences, rights and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions of the shares of each such series thereof, including the dividend rights, dividend rates, conversion rights, voting rights, terms of redemption (including sinking fund provisions), redemption prices, liquidation preferences and the number of shares constituting any series or designations of such series. Our board of directors may authorize the issuance of preferred stock with voting or conversion rights that could adversely affect the voting power or other rights of the holders of common stock. The issuance of preferred stock, while providing flexibility in connection with possible future financings and acquisitions and other corporate purposes could, under certain circumstances, have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control of us and might affect the market price of our common stock.

The preceding summary of certain provisions of the preferred stock does not purport to be complete and is subject to the designation of any series of preferred stock by our board of directors, which would be described in a prospectus summary relating to that preferred stock. The summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the provisions of the designation of any series of preferred stock filed with the SEC in connection with any offering of such preferred stock.

Certain Anti-Takeover, Limited Liability and Indemnification Provisions

We are governed by the DGCL. Our certificate of incorporation and bylaws contain provisions that could make more difficult the acquisition of us by means of a tender offer, a proxy contest or otherwise, or to remove or replace our current management.

“Blank Check” Preferred Stock. Our certificate of incorporation authorizes the issuance of “blank check” preferred stock that could be issued by our board of directors to increase the number of outstanding shares or establish a stockholders rights plan making a takeover more difficult and expensive.

Classified Board. Our board of directors is divided into three classes. The members of each class serve staggered, three-year terms. Upon the expiration of the term of a class of directors, directors in that class are elected for three-year terms at the annual meeting of stockholders in the year in which their term expires.

Removal of Directors; Vacancies. Our certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide that a director may be removed only for cause and only upon the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of our capital stock entitled to vote in the election of directors. Vacancies on our board of directors may be filled only by a majority of our board of directors.

No Cumulative Voting. Our certificate of incorporation provides that stockholders do not have the right to cumulative votes in the election of directors.

No Stockholder Action by Written Consent; Calling of Special Meetings of Stockholders. Our bylaws do not permit stockholder action without a meeting by consent. Special meetings of our stockholders may be called only by our board of directors or the chairman of the board of directors.

Advance Notice Requirements for Stockholder Proposals and Director Nominations. Our bylaws provide that stockholders seeking to bring business before an annual meeting of stockholders, or to nominate candidates for election as directors at an annual meeting of stockholders, must provide timely notice thereof in writing. To be timely, a stockholder's notice generally must be delivered to and received at our principal executive offices, not less than 120 days nor more than 150 days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting; provided, that in the event that the date of such meeting is advanced more than 30 days prior to, or delayed by more than 70 days after, the anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting of our stockholders, a stockholder's notice to be timely must be so delivered not earlier than the close of business on the 150th day prior to such meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the 120th day prior to such meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made. Our bylaws also specify certain requirements as to the form and content of a stockholder's notice. These provisions may preclude stockholders from bringing matters before an annual meeting of stockholders or from making nominations for directors at an annual meeting of stockholders.

Delaware Takeover Statute. Our certificate of incorporation provides that we are not governed by Section 203 of the DGCL which, in the absence of such provisions, would have imposed additional requirements regarding mergers and other business combinations.

Limitation of Officer and Director Liability and Indemnification Arrangements. Our certificate of incorporation limits the liability of our officers and directors to the maximum extent permitted by Delaware law. Delaware law provides that directors will not be personally liable for monetary damages for breach of their fiduciary duties as directors, except liability for:

- any breach of their duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders;
- acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
 - unlawful payments of dividends or unlawful stock repurchases or redemptions; or
- any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

This certificate of incorporation provision has no effect on any non-monetary remedies that may be available to us or our stockholders, nor does it relieve us or our officers or directors from compliance with federal or state securities laws. The certificate and bylaws also generally provide that we shall indemnify, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, investigation, administrative hearing or any other proceeding by reason of the fact that he is or was a director or officer of ours, or is or was serving at our request as a director, officer, employee or agent of another entity, against expenses incurred by him in connection with such proceeding. An officer or director shall not be entitled to indemnification by us if:

the officer or director did not act in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, our best interests; or
with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, the officer or director had reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful.

We currently maintain liability insurance for our directors and officers, and certain of our directors may also be insured or indemnified under third-party insurance or arrangements.

As permitted by the DGCL, our certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide that:

we will indemnify our current and former directors and officers and anyone who is or was serving at our request as the director or officer of, or our legal representative in, another entity, and may indemnify our current or former employees and other agents, to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, subject to limited exceptions; and we may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of our current or former directors, officers, employees or agents against any liability asserted against them and incurred by them in any such capacity, or arising out of their status as such.

Our certificate of incorporation requires us to advance expenses to our directors and officers in connection with a legal proceeding, subject to receiving an undertaking from such director or officer to repay advanced amounts if it is determined he or she is not entitled to indemnification. Our bylaws provide that we may advance expenses to our employees and other agents, upon such terms and conditions, if any, as we deem appropriate.

We have entered into indemnification agreements with our directors and certain officers. The indemnification agreements provide generally that we must promptly advance directors and certain officers all reasonable costs of defending against certain litigation upon request, and must indemnify such director or officer against liabilities incurred in connection with such litigation to the extent that such director or officer is successful on the merits of the proceeding, or, if unsuccessful, to the extent that such director or officer acted in good faith. However, no indemnification will be made under the indemnification agreement if the director or officer is found to not have acted in good faith. The advance is subject to repayment under certain circumstances.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted for our directors, officers and controlling persons under the foregoing provisions or otherwise, we have been informed that, in the opinion of the SEC, such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable.

Corporate Opportunity

Our certificate of incorporation provides that we expressly renounce any interest or expectancy in any business opportunity, transaction or other matter in which the Apollo Group, as defined therein (generally, Apollo Management, L.P., our former controlling stockholder, and its affiliated and related parties), participates or desires or seeks to participate in, even if the opportunity is one that we would reasonably be deemed to have pursued if given the opportunity to do so. The renouncement does not

apply to any business opportunities that are presented to an Apollo Group member solely in such person's capacity as a member of our board of directors and with respect to which no other member of the Apollo Group independently receives notice or otherwise identifies such business opportunity prior to us becoming aware of it, or if the business opportunity is initially identified by the Apollo Group solely through the disclosure of information by or on behalf of us.

Forum Selection

Our certificate of incorporation provides that unless we consent in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware shall be the sole and exclusive forum for any derivative action or proceeding brought on our behalf, any action asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer, employee or agent of ours to us or to our stockholders, any action asserting a claim arising pursuant to any provision of the DGCL, or any action asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine, in each such case subject to the Court of Chancery having personal jurisdiction over the indispensable parties named as defendants therein. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in our capital stock will be deemed to have notice of and consent to this forum selection provision.

Listing

Our common stock is listed on the NYSE under the symbol "RXN."

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

Date: July 14, 2014

REXNORD CORPORATION
(Registrant)

BY: /S/ Patricia M. Whaley
Patricia M. Whaley
Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary