

WHIRLPOOL CORP /DE/  
Form 8-K  
August 16, 2011

**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) August 15, 2011**

**WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION**

**(Exact name of registrant as Specified in Charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction**  
  
**of Incorporation)**

**1-3932**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**

**38-1490038**  
**(IRS Employer**  
  
**Identification No.)**

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**2000 M-63 North, Benton Harbor, Michigan**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)  
**(269) 923-5000**

**49022-2692**  
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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**

**Appointment of New Directors**

On August 15, 2011, the Board of Directors appointed Harish Manwani a Director of Whirlpool Corporation ( "Company " ) and a member of the Board ' s Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee and Finance Committee. Mr. Manwani ' s compensation will be similar to other non-employee directors of the Company, which is described in the Company ' s proxy statement filed with the SEC on February 28, 2011.

The press release announcing the appointment of Mr. Manwani is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

99.1 Press Release dated August 15, 2011

*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.

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

Date: August 16, 2011

By: /s/ ROBERT J. LAFOREST  
Name: Robert J. LaForest  
Title: Corporate Secretary