

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO

Form 8-K

February 24, 2012

**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): February 17, 2012**

**MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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<b>Pennsylvania</b> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	<b>1-15579</b> (Commission File Number)	<b>25-0668780</b> (IRS Employer Identification Number)
<b>1000 Cranberry Woods Drive</b>		
<b>Cranberry Township, PA</b> (Address of principal executive offices)		<b>16066</b> (Zip Code)
<b>Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 724-776-8600</b>		

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

**Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.**

On February 17, 2012, the Board of Directors of the Company amended Section 1.07 of the Bylaws of the Company to clarify the voting tabulation for certain corporate actions to be taken by the vote of the shareholders of the Company. A copy of the Bylaws of the Company as amended to February 17, 2012 and including the change to Section 1.07 is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1.

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

(d) The following exhibits are furnished with this report on Form 8-K.

Exhibit

No.	Description
3.1	Bylaws of the Company as amended to February 17, 2012. <i>[Reminder of page intentionally blank]</i>

**SIGNATURE**

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

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY

By: */s/ Douglas K. McClaine*  
Douglas K. McClaine  
Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Date: February 24, 2012

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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