

NORDSON CORP  
Form 8-K  
February 28, 2019

**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 26, 2019**

**NORDSON CORPORATION**

**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)**

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

**0-7977**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**  
**28601 Clemens Road**

**34-0590250**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
  
**Identification Number)**

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**Westlake, Ohio 44145**

**(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)**

**Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code: 440-892-1580**

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):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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.**

On February 26, 2019, Michael F. Hilton notified Nordson Corporation (the Company) that he intends to retire from his position as Chief Executive Officer at a date to be determined. A copy of the Company's press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

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

**(d) Exhibits**

99.1 The Company's press release dated February 28, 2019 announcing the anticipated retirement of Michael F. Hilton.

**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.

**NORDSON CORPORATION**

Date: February 28, 2019

By: /s/ Gregory A. Thaxton  
Gregory A. Thaxton  
*Executive Vice President*  
  
*Chief Financial Officer*