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**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: October 1, 2018**

*(Date of earliest event reported)*

**POWELL INDUSTRIES, INC.**

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

**Delaware**

*(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)*

**001-12488**

*(Commission File Number)*

**88-0106100**

*(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)*

**8550 Mosley Road**

**Houston, Texas**

*(Address of Principal  
Executive Offices)*

**77075-1180**

*(Zip Code)*

**(713) 944-6900**

*(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)*

**N/A**

*(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)*

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 (17CFR230.425)
- £ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17CFR240.14a-12)
- £ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17CFR240.14D-2(b))
- £ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17CFR240.13e-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.

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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.**

Don R. Madison, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial and Administrative Officer of Powell Industries, Inc., will not retire as previously announced, but intends to remain in his current role until December 31, 2018, unless a successor is designated before then.

**SIGNATURES**

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

POWELL INDUSTRIES, INC.

Date: October 1, 2018

By: /s/ Don R. Madison

Don R. Madison  
Executive Vice President  
Chief Financial and Administrative Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)