

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)

July 19, 2011

NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)

1-16411
(Commission File Number)

No. 80-0640649
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

1840 Century Park East, Los Angeles, California 90067

www.northropgrumman.com

(Address of principal executive offices and internet site)

(310) 553-6262

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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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

(c) Appointment of Certain Officers

On July 19, 2011, the Board of Directors of the Company elected Wesley G. Bush, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President, as Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President, effective immediately. Mr. Bush has been a member of the Board since 2009. Mr. Bush has been Chief Executive Officer and President since January 1, 2010.

Item 8.01 Other Events

On July 19, 2011, the independent members of the Board of Directors designated Lewis W. Coleman, as the Lead Independent Director, effective immediately. Mr. Coleman had served as the non-executive Chairman of the Board since January 1, 2010. Prior to that he served as Lead Independent Director from May 2007 until January 2010. Mr. Coleman has been a member of the Board of Directors since 2001.

A copy of the Company's press release issued July 20, 2011 regarding the matters described in Item 5.02(c) and Item 8.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
Exhibit 99.1	Press release dated July 20, 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.

NORTHROP GRUMMAN
CORPORATION
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Jennifer C. McGarey
Jennifer C. McGarey
Corporate Vice President and Secretary

Date: July 20, 2011

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99.1	Press release dated July 20, 2011



News Release

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Northrop Grumman Board Names Wes Bush Chairman, Lewis W. Coleman Lead Independent Director

LOS ANGELES – July 20, 2011 – The board of directors of Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE:NOC) elected Wes Bush as its chairman, effective immediately. Bush will serve as chairman, chief executive officer and president. Bush succeeds Lewis W. Coleman, who has served as non-executive chairman since January 2010. The board designated Coleman to serve as its lead independent director.

Photos accompanying this release are available at: http://www.irconnect.com/noc/press/pages/news_releases.html?d=226964

“Wes Bush has the full support of the board and has made excellent progress improving the company’s performance for shareholders, customers and employees,” said Coleman. “This is the right time for Wes to assume the chairmanship of Northrop Grumman.”

“Lew Coleman has been an outstanding chairman for our board, providing tremendous leadership through an important period for our company. I look forward to working with him as our lead independent director,” said Bush.

Coleman joined the company’s board of directors in 2001. He is president and chief financial officer of DreamWorks Animation SKG. He was formerly chairman of Banc of America Securities L.L.C., a subsidiary of Bank of America Corporation.

Bush has been chief executive officer and president of Northrop Grumman since Jan. 1, 2010. He was elected to the company’s board of directors in 2009. Previously he served as the president and chief operating officer, corporate vice president and chief financial officer, and president of the company’s Space Technology sector.

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