

**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)
August 17, 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)

2980 Fairview Park Drive, Falls Church, Virginia 22042
www.northropgrumman.com

(Address of principal executive offices and internet site)

(703) 280-2900

(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

(d) Election of New Director

On August 17, 2011, the Board of Directors of Northrop Grumman Corporation (the “Company”) elected Thomas M. Schoewe to the Board of Directors effective immediately. Mr. Schoewe most recently served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. from 2000 to 2010.

The Board of Directors appointed Mr. Schoewe to the Audit Committee and the Policy Committee and determined that Mr. Schoewe satisfies the SEC’s definition of “audit committee financial expert.”

Mr. Schoewe is entitled to receive an annual cash retainer of \$115,000 per year as well as an additional \$10,000 retainer for serving on the Audit Committee. In addition, Mr. Schoewe will receive an annual equity grant of \$130,000 in deferred stock units to be paid out at the conclusion of Mr. Schoewe’s board service, or earlier, as specified by Mr. Schoewe, if he has five or more years of service. Mr. Schoewe’s retainer fees and equity grant will be prorated for 2011, and all or a portion of his retainer fees may be deferred, at his election, into his deferred stock unit account.

A copy of the Company’s press release announcing the election of Mr. Schoewe is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
Exhibit 99.1	Press Release (“Northrop Grumman Elects Thomas M. Schoewe to Its Board of Directors”), dated August 19, 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: August 19, 2011

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News Release

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Northrop Grumman Elects Thomas M. Schoewe to Its Board of Directors

LOS ANGELES – Aug. 19, 2011 – Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) announced today that it has elected Thomas M. Schoewe, former executive vice president and chief financial officer (CFO) of Wal-Mart Stores Inc. to its board of directors. The addition of Schoewe increases Northrop Grumman’s board of directors to 12 members, 11 of whom are nonemployee directors.

A photo accompanying this release is available at: <http://media.globenewswire.com/noc/mediagallery>

“We are delighted that Tom Schoewe has joined our board of directors,” said Wes Bush, chairman, chief executive officer and president. “We look forward to benefitting from his extensive corporate experience and financial expertise as we continue to focus on performance for our shareholders, customers and employees.”

Schoewe was executive vice president and CFO for Wal-Mart Stores Inc. from 2000 to 2010. Prior to his employment at Walmart, he was senior vice president and chief financial officer for Black and Decker Corporation, where he also served as vice president of finance and vice president of business planning and analysis. Before joining Black and Decker, Schoewe worked for Beatrice Companies, where he was CFO and controller of Beatrice Consumer Durables Inc.

Schoewe serves on the boards of directors of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts and Company and PulteGroup Inc. He earned a Bachelor’s of Business Administration degree in finance from Loyola University, Chicago, Ill.

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