

ESTERLINE TECHNOLOGIES CORP

Form 8-K

December 13, 2010

**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

December 9, 2010

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

**ESTERLINE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

001-06357

13-2595091

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(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

(Commission  
File No.)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**500-108<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Bellevue, Washington**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**(425) 453-9400**

**98004**  
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

On December 9, 2010, the Board of Directors of Esterline Technologies Corporation ( Esterline ) increased the size of the Board from ten to eleven directors, electing Dr. Delores M. Etter to serve as a member of the Board of Directors, effective immediately. Since June 2008, Dr. Etter has been the Director of the Caruth Institute for Engineering Education and the Texas Instruments Distinguished Chair in Engineering Education at Southern Methodist University.

Dr. Etter will be proposed to shareholders at the 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareholders for election as a director. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee has not yet determined the board committee or committees on which Dr. Etter will serve. There was no arrangement or understanding between Dr. Etter and any other person pursuant to which she was elected to her position.

For her services as a non-employee director, Dr. Etter will be entitled to receive the standard compensation for a non-employee director of the Company. The Company will also reimburse Dr. Etter for out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with attendance or participation at meetings. The non-employee director compensation program is described in further detail in the Company's proxy statement for its 2010 Annual Meeting filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 21, 2010.

**SIGNATURES**

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.

**ESTERLINE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION**

Dated: December 13, 2010

By: */s/* ROBERT D. GEORGE  
Name: **Robert D. George**  
Title: **Vice President, Chief Financial Officer,**  
  
**Secretary and Treasurer**