CARPENTER TECHNOLOGY CORP Form 8-K March 05, 2012

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): January 31, 2012

CARPENTER TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware (State of or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-5828 (Commission File Number) 23-0458500 (IRS Employer I.D. No.)

P.O. Box 14662

Reading, Pennsylvania (Address of principal executive offices) (610) 208-2000 19612-4662 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code

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:

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

In January 2012, K. Douglas Ralph, the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Carpenter Technology Corporation (Carpenter or the registrant), adopted a prearranged trading plan (the Plan) to sell shares of Carpenter s common stock. The Plan is designed to comply with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Carpenter s Insider Trading Policies and Procedures. Rule 10b5-1(c) permits directors, officers and other stockholders who are not in possession of material non-public information to adopt a prearranged plan or contract for the purchase or sale of the registrant s securities under specified conditions and at specified times.

Mr. Ralph informed the registrant that the stock sales to be effected pursuant to the Plan are part of his personal program for tax and financial planning. The Plan provides for the sale of up to 12,000 shares of Carpenter common stock during specified periods occurring between March 2012 and December 2012. Any sales made pursuant to the Plan will be made based on share amounts, minimum price thresholds and other conditions specified in the Plan.

All stock sales under the Plan will be disclosed publicly in accordance with applicable securities laws, rules and regulations through appropriate filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

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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.

CARPENTER TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION

By /s/ James D. Dee James D. Dee Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Date: March 5, 2012