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January 22, 2013

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 18, 2013

ALLEGHANY CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	**1-9371**	**51-0283071**
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	**(Commission File Number)**	**(IRS Employer Identification No.)**

7 Times Square Tower, 17th Floor, New York, New York **10036**
(Address of principal executive offices) **(Zip Code)**
Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 752-1356

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

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On January 18, 2013, Alleghany Corporation (Alleghany) determined to expand its executive leadership team by separating the role of Chief Financial Officer from management of Alleghany s approximately $16 billion fixed income portfolio. Accordingly, Roger B. Gorham, Alleghany s Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, will assume overall responsibility for Alleghany s fixed income portfolio and will no longer serve as Chief Financial Officer once a successor is identified. Mr. Gorham will serve as Alleghany s Senior Vice President and acting Chief Financial Officer until a successor is identified, at which time Mr. Gorham will be named as Senior Vice President Head of Fixed Income and Treasurer.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On January 22, 2013, Alleghany issued a press release announcing the above-mentioned change in management roles. A copy of such release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release, dated January 22, 2013

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.

ALLEGHANY CORPORATION

Date: January 22, 2013

By: /s/ Christopher K. Dalrymple
Name: Christopher K. Dalrymple
Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release, dated January 22, 2013