WHIRLPOOL CORP /DE/ Form 8-K April 15, 2014

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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) April 14, 2014

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 1-3932 (Commission **38-1490038** (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

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2000 M-63 North, Benton Harbor, Michigan (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

49022-2692 (Zip Code)

(269) 923-5000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On April 14, 2014, Whirlpool Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing an increase in its quarterly dividend from 62.5 cents per share to 75 cents per share, effective for the dividend payable on June 15, 2014 to stockholders of record at the close of business on May 16, 2014. The press release also announced that the Company s Board of Directors approved a new \$500 million share repurchase authorization. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated April 14, 2014

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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.

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

Date: April 15, 2014 By: /s/ KIRSTEN J. HEWITT

Name: Kirsten J. Hewitt

Title: Senior Vice President Corporate Affairs, General

Counsel, and Corporate Secretary