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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 21, 2014

COVIDIEN PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ireland001-3325998-0624794(State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)(Commission (IRS Employer Identification No.)

20 On Hatch, Lower Hatch Street

Dublin 2, Ireland

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +353 (1) 438-1700

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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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.

On January 21, 2014, the Company's Chief Financial Officer, Charles J. Dockendorff, notified the Company of his decision to retire from the Company at the end of calendar year 2014.

A copy of the press release announcing Mr. Dockendorff's decision to retire is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1. Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release dated January 27, 2014

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.

COVIDIEN PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

By: /s/ John W. Kapples

John W. Kapples

Vice President and Corporate Secretary

Date: January 27, 2014

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Exhibit Name

99.1 Press release dated January 27, 2014