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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): December 22, 2011

AMERICAN AXLE & MANUFACTURING HOLDINGS, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-14303

(Commission File Number)

One Dauch Drive, Detroit, Michigan

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(313) 758-2000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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(Zip Code)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

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SECTION 5 - CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Item 5.02 (e) Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On December 22, 2011, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of American Axle & Manufacturing Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") approved an increase in the base salary for David C. Dauch, President & Chief Operating Officer, in connection with Mr. D.C. Dauch's assumption of additional responsibilities effective December 1, 2011. Effective January 1, 2012, Mr. D. C. Dauch's annual base salary will be \$810,000.

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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.

AMERICAN AXLE & MANUFACTURING HOLDINGS, INC.

Date: December 23, 2011

By: /s/ Michael K. Simonte Michael K. Simonte Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer