

NORDSON CORP  
Form 8-K  
September 29, 2011

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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):

September 27, 2011

Nordson Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio

0-7977

34-0590250

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

28601 Clemens Road, Westlake, Ohio

44145

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

440-892-1580

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

(b) Effective September 27, 2011 and following over 26 years of service as a Director, William P. Madar retired from the Nordson Corporation Board of Directors in compliance with the company's retirement age policy for directors.

Mr. Madar served in the class of directors whose terms are scheduled to expire at the 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The Board of Directors has decided not to fill immediately the vacancy resulting from Mr. Madar's retirement, reducing the number of directors to 9.

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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.

*September 29, 2011*

Nordson Corporation

By: *Robert E. Veillette*

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*Name: Robert E. Veillette*

*Title: Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary*