

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC.
Form 8-K
August 03, 2011

**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): August 2, 2011

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington

000-51826

47-0956945

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**Suite 2840, 650 West Georgia Street, Vancouver,
British Columbia, Canada**

V6B 4N8

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(604) 684-1099**

(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:

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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 8.01 OTHER EVENTS.

On August 2, 2011 Mercer International Inc. (the Company) announced by press release that its Board of Directors has authorized a repurchase program for up to \$25 million of the Company s outstanding shares of common stock over the next 12 months, along with an equivalent reduction in the Company s long-term indebtedness over the same period. A copy of the Company s press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated August 2, 2011

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.

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC.

/s/ David M. Gandossi
David M. Gandossi
Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 3, 2011

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