

BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC  
Form 8-K  
October 21, 2015

**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): October 21, 2015**

**Baxter International Inc.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**  
  
**of incorporation)**

**1-4448**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**  
**One Baxter Parkway**

**36-0781620**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
  
**Identification No.)**

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**Deerfield, Illinois 60015**

**(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (224) 948-2000**

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

*Election of Director*

Effective October 21, 2015, Baxter International Inc. (the Company ) appointed Michael F. Mahoney to the 2016 class of the Company s board of directors (the Board ). Mr. Mahoney was also appointed to the Board s Compensation Committee and Corporate Governance Committee effective that date.

Mr. Mahoney will be compensated for service as a director pursuant to the Company s Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan and will be eligible to participate in the Company s Directors Deferred Compensation Plan. In connection with joining the Board, Mr. Mahoney will be granted equity awards as compensation for his 2015 service in an amount consistent with the awards granted annually to non-employee directors, prorated for the number of months to be served, pursuant to the Company s Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan.

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On October 21, 2015, the Company issued a press release announcing the appointment of Mr. Mahoney to the Board. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

(d) Exhibits.

<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Description of Document</b>
99.1	Press Release of Baxter International Inc., dated October 21, 2015

**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.

BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.

Date: October 21, 2015

By: /s/ David P. Scharf  
David P. Scharf  
Corporate Vice President, General Counsel and  
Corporate Secretary

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