

BARNWELL INDUSTRIES INC
Form 8-K
March 07, 2016
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): March 7, 2016

BARNWELL INDUSTRIES, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-5103
(Commission File Number)

72-0496921
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1100 Alakea Street, Suite 2900
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(808) 531-8400
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e4(c))

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

(a) On March 7, 2016, Barnwell Industries, Inc. held an annual meeting of stockholders.

(b) At the meeting, stockholders voted on the election of directors, the ratification of KPMG, LLP as the independent auditors for fiscal year 2016, a stockholder proposal to separate the Chairman and CEO positions (described in the proxy materials) and a stockholder proposal to allow proxy access (described in the proxy materials). A total of 7,647,316 shares of Barnwell's common stock outstanding and entitled to vote were present at

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the meeting in person or by proxy. All nominees were elected and the ratification of KPMG LLP as the independent auditors for fiscal year 2016 was approved. The two stockholder proposals were not approved. The results of the meeting were as follows:

| | For | Withheld | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------|---------------------|
| 1. Directors | | | | |
| Morton H. Kinzler | 4,651,930 | 1,992,809 | | 1,002,577 |
| Martin Anderson | 5,170,356 | 1,474,383 | | 1,002,577 |
| Murray C. Gardner | 5,235,610 | 1,409,129 | | 1,002,577 |
| Alexander C. Kinzler | 4,611,099 | 2,033,640 | | 1,002,577 |
| Russell M. Gifford | 4,631,652 | 2,013,087 | | 1,002,577 |
| Kevin K. Takata | 5,251,060 | 1,393,679 | | 1,002,577 |
| Robert J. Inglima, Jr. | 5,252,460 | 1,392,279 | | 1,002,577 |
| James S. Barnwell III | 5,210,160 | 1,434,579 | | 1,002,577 |

| | For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|--|-----------|---------|---------|---------------------|
| 2. Ratification of Independent Auditors | | | | |
| | 7,243,245 | 395,141 | 8,930 | 0 |

| | For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|---|-----------|-----------|---------|---------------------|
| 3. Stockholder Proposal to Separate the Chairman from the CEO | | | | |
| | 1,833,338 | 4,791,712 | 19,689 | 1,002,577 |

| | For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|--|-----------|-----------|---------|---------------------|
| 4. Stockholder Proposal to Allow Proxy Access | | | | |
| | 2,272,909 | 4,324,807 | 47,023 | 1,002,577 |

SIGNATURE

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.

Dated: March 7, 2016

BARNWELL INDUSTRIES, INC.

By: /s/ Alexander C. Kinzler

Name: Alexander C. Kinzler

Title: President and Chief Operating
Officer