# 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): May 3, 2012

## VALERO ENERGY CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

One Valero Way<br>San Antonio, Texas<br>78249<br>(Address of principal executive offices)<br>(Zip Code)<br>Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (210) 345-2000

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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.

(c) On May 3, 2012, the board of directors of Valero Energy Corporation ( Valero ) elected Joseph W. Gorder to the offices of Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Gorder previously served as Executive Vice President and Chief Commercial Officer (beginning in January 2011). He formerly headed Valero s European operations from the company s London office. Mr. Gorder previously served as Executive Vice President Marketing and Supply (beginning in December 2005), and Senior Vice President Corporate Development (beginning in August 2003). Prior to that he held several positions with responsibilities for corporate development and marketing.

## SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

## VALERO ENERGY CORPORATION

Date: May 4, 2012
By: /s/ Jay D. Browning
Jay D. Browning
Senior Vice President and Secretary

