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FRIEDMAN INDUSTRIES INC

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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): August 30, 2017

Friedman Industries, Incorporated

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas 1-07521 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.) of incorporation)

> 75601 (Zip Code)

74-1504405

1121 Judson Rd. Suite 124 Longview, TX

(Address of principal executive offices)

(903) 758-3431

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):
UWritten communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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_ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).
Emerging growth company
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

Effective August 30, 2017, Thomas Thompson retired as Senior Vice President – Sales and Marketing of Friedman Industries, Incorporated. A copy of the press release related to Mr. Thompson's retirement is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press Release of Friedman Industries, Inc. dated September 1, 2017.

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.

Date: September 1, 2017

FRIEDMAN INDUSTRIES, INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Alex LaRue
Alex LaRue
Vice President - Secretary and Treasurer

September 1, 2017

Friedman Industries, Incorporated (NYSE – American; Trading symbol: FRD)

Dateline: Longview, Texas

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

THOMAS THOMPSON RETIRES AS SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT - SALES AND MARKETING

On August 30, 2017, Thomas Thompson retired as Senior Vice President – Sales and Marketing of Friedman Industries, Incorporated (the "Company"). The Company expresses its appreciation to Mr. Thompson for his 42 years of leadership and loyal service to the Company.

In December 2016, the Company appointed Jonathan Holcomb as Vice President – Coil Sales and Michael Thompson as Vice President – Tubular Sales. Following Thomas Thompson's retirement, these Vice Presidents will be responsible for the sales and marketing efforts of their respective divisions and will be under the supervision of Robert Sparkman, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

For further information regarding this press release, please contact Alex LaRue, Vice President – Secretary and Treasurer at (903)758-3431.