

**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): December 13, 2017**

TRUEBLUE, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Washington

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-14543

(Commission File Number)

**1015 A Street, Tacoma, Washington
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)**

91-1287341

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**98402
(Zip Code)**

(253) 383-9101

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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 Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On December 13, 2017, TrueBlue, Inc. (the “Company”) announced that Bill Steele has decided to retire from the Company’s Board of Directors. Mr. Steele’s resignation will be effective December 31, 2017 and he will not stand for re-election at the Company’s next annual meeting of shareholders. The Company also issued a press release announcing Mr. Steele’s resignation, a copy of which is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

[99.1 Press Release of the Company dated December 13, 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.

TRUEBLUE, INC.
(Registrant)

Date: December 13, 2017

By: /s/ James E. Defebaugh
James E. Defebaugh
Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

William Steele Retires From TrueBlue Board of Directors After 17 Years of Service

TACOMA, WASH.—Dec. 13, 2017—TrueBlue, Inc. (NYSE: TBI) announced today that William Steele is retiring from the company’s board of directors effective Dec. 31, 2017.

Steele has served on TrueBlue’s board since 2001 and was Chairman of the Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee and Lead Independent Director until this year, in addition to serving as a member of the Audit Committee. Steele began his career at ABM Industries where he was appointed President in 1991 and CEO in 1994, and served in those capacities until he retired in 2000. He served as a Director, member of the Audit Committee, and Chairman of the Corporate Citizenship and Communication Committee of ABM until March 2016.

“William’s long career leading a global building services company made him an invaluable member of the board, and we owe him a huge debt of gratitude,” TrueBlue Chairman Joe Sambataro, Jr., said. “On behalf of the board, shareholders and the entire company, I want to thank William for his leadership, expert counsel and guidance.”

“Over the past 17 years, it’s been exciting to watch TrueBlue grow to be one of the leading light industrial staffing providers in the U.S. and the world’s largest recruitment process outsourcing company,” Steele said. “The company today is stronger than it has ever been, and is well positioned for continued growth moving forward.”

About TrueBlue:

TrueBlue (NYSE: TBI) is a leading provider of specialized workforce solutions that help clients create growth, improve efficiency and increase reliability. TrueBlue connected over 815,000 people with work during 2016 in a wide variety of industries through its PeopleReady segment offering industrial staffing services, PeopleManagement segment offering onsite workforce management and PeopleScout segment offering Recruitment Process Outsourcing (RPO) and Managed Service Provider (MSP) solutions. For more information, visit TrueBlue’s web site: www.trueblue.com

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