

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 the earliest event reported)  
**January 20, 2017**

**NL INDUSTRIES, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**New Jersey**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-640**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**13-5267260**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**5430 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1700, Dallas, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**75240-2697**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code  
**(972) 233-1700**

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(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):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02      Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

Effective January 20, 2017, Bobby D. O'Brien, citing a desire to devote more time to his family and to pursue other interests, announced his retirement and resignation as a director and executive vice president of the registrant. In connection with his retirement, Mr O'Brien has also resigned as a director and executive officer from all of the registrant's affiliated entities.

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**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.

**NL INDUSTRIES, INC.**  
(Registrant)

Date: January 20, 2017

By:           /s/ Gregory M. Swalwell            
*Gregory M. Swalwell, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*