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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): February 18, 2013

NATIONAL RURAL UTILITIES COOPERATIVE FINANCE CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

District of Columbia (state or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-7102 (Commission File Number) 52-0891669 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

20701 Cooperative Way Dulles, VA (Address of principal executive offices) 20166-6691 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (703) 467-1800

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On February 18, 2013, the Board of Directors of National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation ("CFC") elected Burns Mercer, age 62, as President. Mr. Mercer shall hold office until the organization meeting of the Board of Directors held during or following the next succeeding annual meeting of the members, or until a successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified. Mr. Mercer has served on the CFC board since 2008 and as the Vice President of CFC since March 2012. Mr. Mercer has served as president and CEO of Meade County RECC in Brandenburg, Kentucky, since 1994. He serves as a director on the boards of the Kentucky Association of Electric Cooperatives, United Utility Supply Cooperative and The Farmers Bank of Hardinsburg, Kentucky. Mr. Mercer is a former director on the board of National Cooperative Services Corporation and a former member of the Kentucky Society of Certified Public Accountants.

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.

NATIONAL RURAL UTILITIES COOPERATIVE FINANCE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Steven L. Lilly Steven L. Lilly Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: February 21, 2013