

AMERISAFE INC
Form 8-K
September 03, 2013

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): September 3, 2013

AMERISAFE, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Texas
(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

001-12251
(Commission

File Number)
2301 Highway 190 West

75-2069407
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

DeRidder, Louisiana 70634

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (337) 463-9052

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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.

On September 3, 2013, the Board appointed G. Janelle Frost as the Company's President. She succeeds Geoffrey R. Banta. Ms. Frost, age 43, served as the Company's Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer from November 2008 until her appointment as Chief Operating Officer effective May 15, 2013. She joined the Company in 1992.

As reported on April 1, 2013, Mr. Banta advised the Board that he intended to retire from the Company in December 2014. Mr. Banta, age 64, served as the Company's President (since August 2010) and Chief Operating Officer (from November 2008 to May 2013). From December 2003 to October 2008, Mr. Banta served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. He joined the Company in 2003.

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.

AMERISAFE, INC.

By: /s/ Kathryn H. Rowan
Kathryn H. Rowan, Senior Vice
President, General Counsel and Secretary

Date: September 3, 2013