

Life Technologies Corp
Form 8-K
April 26, 2012

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): April 26, 2012

Life Technologies Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-25317
(Commission File Number)

33-0373077
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

5791 Van Allen Way, Carlsbad, CA
(Address of principal executive offices)

92008
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(760) 603-7200**

N/A

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

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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

In conjunction with the Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Annual Meeting) of Life Technologies Corporation (the Company) held on April 26, 2012, William H. Longfield retired from the Board of Directors (the Board) in accordance with the retirement policy set forth in the Company s Corporate Governance Principles, which provides that the Board only nominate directors who will be 72 years of age or younger on the date of election.

Item 5.07 Submission to a Vote of Security Holders

(a) On April 26, 2012, the Company held its Annual Meeting. The Company filed its definitive proxy statement for the proposals voted upon at the Annual Meeting with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 9, 2012.

(b) As of February 27, 2012, the record date for the Annual Meeting, 178,267,389 shares of the Company s common stock were issued and outstanding. A quorum of 155,426,952 shares of common stock were present or represented at the Annual Meeting. The number of votes cast for, against or withheld, as well as abstentions and broker non-votes, if applicable, with respect to each proposal is set out below:

1. The following members of the Board of Directors were elected as directors to serve until the 2013 annual meeting of stockholders and until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

| | Total Votes | | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|------------------|
| | Total Votes for Each Director | Against from Each Director | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
| Donald W. Grimm | 139,840,674 | 2,717,192 | 44,697 | 12,824,389 |
| Ora H. Pescovitz, M.D. | 140,199,501 | 2,346,588 | 56,474 | 12,824,389 |
| Per A. Peterson, Ph.D. | 142,044,747 | 522,629 | 35,188 | 12,824,389 |

2. Ratification of the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Company for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012.

| For | Against | Abstain |
|-------------|-----------|---------|
| 154,053,401 | 1,258,262 | 115,289 |

3. The approval of an advisory resolution regarding the compensation of the Company s named executive officers for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011. In accordance with the Company s Bylaws and as disclosed in the Company s 2012 Proxy Statement, neither abstentions nor broker non-votes have any effect upon the outcome of voting for this advisory vote. The advisory resolution regarding the compensation of the Company s named executive officers for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 received approximately 77% of the affirmative vote of the votes cast (which excludes abstentions and broker non-votes).

| For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|-------------|------------|-----------|------------------|
| 108,393,997 | 31,880,665 | 2,327,899 | 12,824,391 |

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.

LIFE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION
(Registrant)

By: /s/ John A. Cottingham
Chief Legal Officer

Date: April 26, 2012