SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO Form SD May 27, 2016

## **UNITED STATES**

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM SD

**Specialized Disclosure Report** 

## THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

OHIO (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

1-04851 (Commission File Number) 101 West Prospect Avenue 34-0526850 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

**Cleveland, Ohio 44115-1075** 

(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

Catherine M. Kilbane

216-566-2000

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(Name and telephone number, including area code, of the person to contact in connection with this report.)

Check the appropriate box to indicate the rule pursuant to which this form is being filed, and provide the period to which the information in this form applies:

x Rule 13p-1 under the Securities Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13p-1) for the reporting period from January 1 to December 31, 2015.

#### **Section 1** Conflict Minerals Disclosure

# Item 1.01 Conflict Minerals Disclosure and Report Conflict Minerals Disclosure

This Form SD of The Sherwin-Williams Company (the Company) is filed pursuant to Rule 13p-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, for the reporting period from January 1 through December 31, 2015.

The description of our reasonable country of origin inquiry (RCOI) process, the results of our inquiry, and the determination we reached as a result of our RCOI process are included in our Conflict Minerals Report attached as an exhibit to this Form SD.

A copy of the Company s Conflict Minerals Report is filed as Exhibit 1.01 to this Form SD and is publicly available at http://careers.sherwin-williams.com/corporatesocialresponsibility/policies. The content of any website referred to in this Form SD is not incorporated by reference in this Form SD.

#### Item 1.02 Exhibit

A copy of the Company s Conflict Minerals Report as required by Item 1.01 is filed as Exhibit 1.01 hereto.

#### Section 2 Exhibits

#### Item 2.01 Exhibits

The following exhibit is filed as part of this report.

#### **Exhibit**

## **Number** Description of Exhibit

1.01 Conflict Minerals Report as required by Items 1.01 and 1.02 of this Form SD.

# **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 duly authorized undersigned.

The Sherwin-Williams Company (Registrant)

May 27, 2016 (Date)

/s/ Catherine M. Kilbane Catherine M. Kilbane Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

# EXHIBIT INDEX

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NumberDescription of Exhibit1.01Conflict Minerals Report as required by Items 1.01 and 1.02 of this Form SD.