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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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): January 6, 2017

NanoString Technologies, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-35980 20-0094687 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

530 Fairview Avenue North Seattle, Washington 98109 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(206) 378-6266

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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. below):

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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.

(b) On January 6, 2017, Wayne Burns, Senior Vice President, Operations and Administration, announced that he would be retiring from NanoString Technologies, Inc. (the "Company") in April 2017. As contemplated by the Company's succession plan, Mary Tedd Allen, the Company's Vice President of Operations, is expected to succeed Mr. Burns in April 2017.

This Current Report on Form 8-K contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements are identified by such words as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "plan," "may" and words of similar import and are be on current expectations that involve risks and uncertainties, such as the Company's plans, objectives, expectations and intentions. All statements other than historical or current facts, including, without limitation, statements about the Company's executive succession plan are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements. These statements, like all statements in this report, speak only as of their date.

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.

NanoString Technologies, Inc.

Date: January 6, 2017 By: /s/ R. Bradley Gray

R. Bradley Gray

President and Chief Executive Officer