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 4, 2013

BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

New Jersey (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-4802 (Commission File Number)

1 Becton Drive, Franklin Lakes, New Jersey (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 22-0760120 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

07417-1880

(Zip Code)

(201) 847-6800 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

 $\label{eq:NA} N/A$ (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

On September 4, 2013, Suketu Upadhyay, the Senior Vice President – Finance of Becton, Dickinson and Company ("BD") and BD's principal accounting officer, informed BD that he is resigning from BD, effective September 20, 2013, in order to assume a position at another public company. Upon the effectiveness of Mr. Upadhyay's resignation, Christopher R. Reidy, BD's Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President of Administration, will become BD's principal accounting officer in addition to his role as BD's principal financial officer.

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.

> BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY (Registrant)

By: /s/ Gary DeFazio

Gary DeFazio Vice President and Corporate Secretary

Date: September 9, 2013