INVACARE CORP Form 8-K December 15, 2017

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): December 14, 2017

INVACARE CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Ohio} & \text{O01-15103} & \text{95-2680965} \\ \text{(State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)} & \text{(Commission File Number)} & \text{(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)} \\ \end{array}$

One Invacare Way, Elyria, Ohio 44035 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(440) 329-6000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, 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):

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2). Emerging growth company "

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. "

Item Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; 5.02. Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

As previously indicated in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by Invacare Corporation (the "Company") on October 6, 2017 (the "Prior Form 8-K"), Patricia A. Stumpp's employment as the Company's Senior Vice President of Human Resources terminated, effective December 15, 2017. The disclosure regarding the severance benefits to which Ms.Stumpp will be entitled that was included in Item 5.02 of the Prior Form 8-K is incorporated herein by reference.

As previously disclosed, in order for Ms. Stumpp to receive the severance benefits described in the Prior Form 8-K, she must agree to a separation agreement and general release of claims against the Company, in a form satisfactory to the Company.

On December 14, 2017, the Company and Ms. Stumpp entered into a Separation Agreement and Release (the "Separation Agreement"). The Separation Agreement is attached as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and the foregoing summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Separation Agreement, which is incorporated by reference into this Item 5.02.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits. (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Description of Exhibit

<u>10.1</u> Separation Agreement and Release by and between Invacare Corporation and Patricia A. Stumpp.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

INVACARE CORPORATION (Registrant)

Date: December 15, 2017 By: /s/ Anthony C. LaPlaca

Name: Anthony C. LaPlaca

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary