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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): January 17, 2012

RigNet, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-35003 (Commission

76-0677208 (IRS Employer

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of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

1880 S. Dairy Ashford, Suite 300 Houston, Texas 77077-4760 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (281) 674-0100

(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):

- 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))

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

RigNet, Inc. (the Company) announced in a press release dated January 17, 2012 that Thomas M. Matthews will not be standing for re-election as a member of the Company s Board of Directors at the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Mr. Matthews will continue to serve as a member of the Company s Board of Directors until the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Mr. Matthews will also continue to serve as the Chairman of the Board of the Company until his successor is appointed by the Company s Board of Directors. The Company s press release captioned RigNet Announces T.M. Matthews to stand down as Chairman and not to Stand for Re-Election to Board of Directors is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit

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99.1 Press Release dated January 17, 2012.

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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.

RIGNET, INC.

By: /s/ MARTIN L. JIMMERSON, JR. Martin L. Jimmerson, Jr. Chief Financial Officer

Dated: January 17, 2012

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