MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC. Form 8-K May 16, 2011

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): May 16, 2011

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Washington (State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **000-51826** (Commission File Number) **47-0956945** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

Suite 2840, 650 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (604) 684-1099

(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:

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS.

On May 16, 2011, Mercer International Inc. issued a press release announcing that it intends to redeem all of its 8.5% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes due 2012 (the "Notes") on July 15, 2011 (the "Redemption Date"). The redemption price for the Notes will be 100% of the principal amount of the redeemed Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the Redemption Date. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1

Press Release dated May 16, 2011, relating to the redemption of outstanding 8.5% convertible senior subordinated notes by Mercer International Inc.

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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.

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC.

<u>/s/ David M Gandossi</u> David M. Gandossi Chief Financial Officer

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