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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**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 11, 2010**



**MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Pennsylvania**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**1-15579**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**25-0668780**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

**121 Gamma Drive  
RIDC Industrial Park  
O'Hara Township  
Pittsburgh, PA**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**15238**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 412-967-3000**

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.07 SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS**

The annual meeting of shareholders of Mine Safety Appliances Company was held on May 11, 2010. The following matters were acted upon:

**1. Election of Directors**

Robert A. Bruggeworth, James A. Cederna and John C. Unkovic were elected to serve until the Annual Meeting in 2013, by the following votes:

<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Votes For</u>	<u>Votes Withheld</u>	<u>Broker Non-Votes</u>
Robert A. Bruggeworth	30,172,205	391,974	4,700,627
James A. Cederna	30,209,053	355,126	4,700,627
John C. Unkovic	21,210,628	9,353,551	4,700,627

Continuing as directors, with terms expiring in 2011, are William M. Lambert, Diane M. Pearse, and L. Edward Shaw, Jr. Continuing as directors, with terms expiring in 2012, are Thomas B. Hotopp, John T. Ryan III and Thomas H. Witmer.

**2. Approval of the Adoption of the Mine Safety Appliances Company amended and restated CEO Annual Incentive Award Plan**

An amendment and restatement of the CEO Annual Incentive Award Plan was approved by the following votes:

<u>Votes For</u>	<u>Votes Against</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>
33,308,819	1,209,834	746,153

**3. Selection of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP was selected as the independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2010, by the following votes:

<u>Votes For</u>	<u>Votes Against</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>
35,134,340	98,647	31,819

