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): August 29, 2019

Colfax Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-34045 (Commission File Number) 54-1887631 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

420 National Business Parkway, 5th Floor Annapolis Junction, MD 20701 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(301) 323-9000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(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:

□ 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	CFX	New York Stock Exchange
5.75% Tangible Equity Units	CFXA	New York Stock Exchange

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

Emerging growth company \Box

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 pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act

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

On August 29, 2019, Ian Brander, Chief Executive Officer of the Air and Gas Handling business (the "<u>Howden Business</u>") of Colfax Corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), notified the Company of his intention to retire as the Chief Executive Officer of the Howden Business effective following the closing of the previously announced sale of the Howden Business to KPS Capital Partners pursuant to the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement, dated as of May 15, 2019 (the "<u>Purchase Agreement</u>"), by and among the Company, certain subsidiaries of the Company, Granite Holdings US Acquisition Co. and Brillant 3047. GmbH.

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.

August 30, 2019.

Colfax Corporation

By:/s/ Bradley J. TandyName:Bradley J. TandyTitle:SVP, General Counsel