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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 1, 2012**

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**CIRCOR INTERNATIONAL, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

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**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)**

**001-14962**  
**(Commission  
File Number)**

**04-3477276**  
**(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)**

**25 Corporate Drive, Suite 130**  
**Burlington, Massachusetts**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**01803-4238**  
**(Zip Code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (781) 270-1200**

**N/A**  
**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)**

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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 1.01      Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On May 1, 2012, CIRCOR International, Inc. (the “Company”) and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company (the “**Rights Agent**”) entered into an Amendment and Termination of Shareholder Rights Agreement (the “**Amendment**”) with respect to the Shareholder Rights Agreement dated as of September 23, 2009 by and between the Company and the Rights Agent (the “**Rights Agreement**”). The Rights Agreement is described in the Company’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 23, 2009, and such description is incorporated herein by reference.

The Amendment changes the definition of “**Final Expiration Date**” in the Rights Agreement from September 24, 2019 to May 1, 2012, such that, as of 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on May 1, 2012, the rights to purchase Series A Junior Participating Cumulative Preferred Stock (the “**Series A Preferred Stock**”) issued pursuant to the Rights Agreement (the “**Rights**”) expired and are no longer outstanding and the Rights Agreement terminated. The foregoing summary of the Amendment is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Amendment, which is set forth as Exhibit 4.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 1.02      Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.**

The information contained in Item 1.01 above is incorporated by reference into this Item 1.02.

**Item 3.03      Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.**

The information contained in Item 1.01 above is incorporated by reference into this Item 3.03.

After the expiration of the Rights and termination of the Rights Agreement, on May 1, 2012 the Company filed with the Delaware Secretary of State a Certificate of Elimination of Series A Junior Participating Cumulative Preferred Stock (the “**Certificate of Elimination**”), which returned the shares that were designated as Series A Preferred Stock to the status of authorized but unissued shares of the preferred stock of the Company, without designation as to series or rights, preferences, privileges or limitations. The foregoing summary of the Certificate of Elimination is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Certificate of Elimination, which is set forth as Exhibit 4.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 5.03      Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.**

The information contained in the second paragraph of Item 3.03 above is incorporated by reference into this Item 5.03.

**Item 9.01      Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) *Exhibits.*

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
4.1	Amendment and Termination of Shareholder Rights Agreement between CIRCOR International, Inc. and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company dated as of May 1, 2012
4.2	Certificate of Elimination of Series A Junior Participating Cumulative Preferred Stock, dated May 1, 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.

CIRCOR INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Date: May 1, 2012

By: /s/ Alan J. Glass

Name: Alan J. Glass

Title: Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary

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AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION  
OF  
SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS AGREEMENT

This Amendment and Termination (this “**Amendment and Termination**”) of the Rights Agreement (as defined below) is entered into as of May 1, 2012, between CIRCOR International, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “**Company**”), and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, a New York Limited Liability Trust Company, as Rights Agent (“**AST**”). All capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Rights Agreement.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company is party to the Shareholder Rights Agreement, dated as of September 23, 2009 (the “**Rights Agreement**”) with AST, as Rights Agent;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Company has determined to terminate the Rights Agreement and, in furtherance thereof, the Company desires to enter into this Amendment and Termination pursuant to which the Rights Agreement will be amended to provide that (i) the Rights will expire at the Close of Business on May 1, 2012, and (ii) the Rights Agreement will be terminated upon the expiration of the Rights; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 27 of the Rights Agreement, the Company may prior to a Section 11(a)(ii) Event supplement or amend the Rights Agreement without the approval of any holders of certificates representing shares of common stock of the Company.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Amendment to Section 7(a). The first sentence of Section 7(a) of the Rights Agreement is hereby amended to read as follows:

“(a) Subject to Section 7(e) hereof, the registered holder of any Right Certificate may exercise the Rights evidenced thereby (except as otherwise provided herein) in whole or in part at any time after the Distribution Date upon surrender of the Right Certificate, with the form of election to purchase on the reverse side thereof duly executed, to the Rights Agent at the office or offices of the Rights Agent designated for such purpose, together with payment of the aggregate Exercise Price for the total number of one ten-thousandths of a share of Preferred Stock (or other securities, cash or other assets, as the case may be) as to which such surrendered Rights are then exercised, at or prior to the earlier of (i) the Close of Business on May 1, 2012 (the “Final Expiration Date”),

(ii) the time at which the Rights are redeemed as provided in Section 23 hereof (the “Redemption Date”) or (iii) the time at which such Rights are exchanged as provided in Section 24 hereof (the earliest of (i), (ii) or (iii) being herein referred to as the “Expiration Date”). Except as set forth in Section 7(e) hereof and notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any Person who prior to the Distribution Date becomes a record holder of shares of Common Stock of the Company may exercise all of the rights of a registered holder of a Right Certificate with respect to the Rights associated with such shares of Common Stock of the Company in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, as of the date such Person becomes a record holder of shares of Common Stock of the Company.”

2. Termination. Upon expiration of the Rights in accordance with the terms of the Rights Agreement, as amended hereby, the Rights Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force or effect whatsoever without any further action on the part of the Company or the Rights Agent.

3. Governing Law. This Amendment and Termination shall be deemed to be a contract made under the laws of the State of Delaware and for all purposes shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of such state applicable to contracts to be made and performed entirely within such state.

4. Counterparts. This Amendment and Termination may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall for all purposes be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Amendment and Termination to be duly executed as of the day and year first above written.

**CIRCOR INTERNATIONAL, INC.**

Attest:

/s/ John F. Kober  
Name: John F. Kober  
Title: Vice President, Corporate Controller

By: /s/ Alan J. Glass  
Name: Alan J. Glass  
Title: Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary

**AMERICAN STOCK TRANSFER & TRUST COMPANY, LLC**

Attest:

/s/ Sharon Best-Jhagroo  
Name: Sharon Best-Jhagroo  
Title: Senior Relationship Manager

By: /s/ Paula Caroppoli  
Name: Paula Caroppoli  
Title: Senior Vice President



CERTIFICATE OF ELIMINATION OF THE  
SERIES A JUNIOR PARTICIPATING CUMULATIVE PREFERRED STOCK OF  
CIRCOR INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Pursuant to Section 151(g)  
of the General Corporation Law  
of the State of Delaware

CIRCOR International, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “**Company**”), in accordance with the provisions of Section 151(g) of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, hereby certifies as follows:

1. That, pursuant to Section 151 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware and authority granted in the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as theretofore amended (the “**Certificate of Incorporation**”), the Board of Directors of the Company, by resolution duly adopted, authorized the issuance of a series of 15,000 shares of Series A Junior Participating Cumulative Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company (the “**Preferred Stock**”), and established the voting powers, designations, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other rights, if any, or the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, and, on September 23, 2009, filed an Amended and Restated Certificate of Designations (the “**Certificate of Designations**”) with respect to such Preferred Stock in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (the “**Secretary of State**”).
2. That no shares of said Preferred Stock are outstanding and no shares thereof will be issued subject to said Certificate of Designations.
3. That the Board of Directors of the Company has adopted the following resolutions:

RESOLVED: That pursuant to the resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the “**Board**”) on May 3, 2011 that the Corporation would either put its Shareholder Rights Agreement (the “**Shareholder Rights Agreement**”), dated as of September 23, 2009, with American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, a New York Limited Liability Trust Company, as Rights Agent, as Rights Agent (the “**Rights Agent**”), to a vote at the Corporation’s 2012 annual meeting of shareholders (the “**2012 Annual Meeting**”), or terminate the Shareholder Rights Agreement in advance of such shareholder meeting, the Board hereby authorizes and directs the termination of the Shareholder Rights Agreement effective May 1, 2012.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, General Counsel and Secretary of the Corporation (the “**Authorized Officers**”) be, and each of them hereby is, authorized in the name and on behalf of the Corporation to execute an amendment and termination of the Shareholder Rights Agreement, containing substantially the terms and conditions in the form of agreement presented to this

meeting, with such other provisions and modifications as the Authorized Officers executing the same shall approve as being in the interests of the Corporation and its shareholders, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery of the same to the Rights Agent thereunder.

RESOLVED: That no shares of the Corporation's Series A Junior Participating Cumulative Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Series A Preferred Stock**"), have been issued or are outstanding and that no shares of the Series A Preferred Stock will be issued subject to the certificate of designations previously filed with respect to the Series A Preferred Stock.

RESOLVED: That the Authorized Officers be and hereby are authorized and directed to file a certificate setting forth this resolution with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware pursuant to the provisions of Section 151(g) of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware for the purpose of eliminating from the Corporation's certificate of incorporation all matters set forth in the certificate of designations with respect to the Series A Preferred Stock.

4. That, accordingly, all matters set forth in the Certificate of Designations with respect to the Preferred Stock be, and hereby are, eliminated from the Certificate of Incorporation, as heretofore amended, of the Company.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, CIRCOR International, Inc. has caused this Certificate of Elimination to be duly executed this 1st day of May, 2012.

**CIRCOR INTERNATIONAL, INC.**

By: /s/ Alan J. Glass

Name: Alan J. Glass

Title: Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary