
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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): December 30, 2016

MANITEX INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Michigan
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-32401
(Commission
File Number)

42-1628978
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

9725 Industrial Drive, Bridgeview, Illinois 60455
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(708) 430-7500
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(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:

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

Litchev to Retire from Manitex

Effective as of December 31, 2016, Lubomir T. Litchev will retire as the President-Manufacturing Operations of Manitex International, Inc. (the “Company”). Mr. Litchev will remain with the Company in an advisory capacity through April 30, 2017.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MANITEX INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: _____ /S/ David H. Gransee
Name: David H. Gransee
Title: Vice President and CFO

Date: December 30, 2016