ITRON INC /WA/ Form 8-K April 24, 2014

# 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

#### **April 24, 2014**

Date of Report

(Date of Earliest

Event Reported)

#### ITRON, INC.

(Exact Name of

Registrant as

Specified in its

Charter)

#### Washington 000-22418 91-1011792

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File No.)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

#### 2111 N. Molter Road, Liberty Lake, WA 99019

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Zip Code)

#### (509) 924-9900

(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:

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))

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

On April 24, 2014, Itron, Inc. (Itron or the Company) announced that Steven M. Helmbrecht, the Company's executive vice president and chief financial officer, will be departing effective December 31, 2014. The company will conduct a search for external candidates to fill the position. Mr. Helmbrecht will continue in his current role through the date of his departure.

Consistent with Itron's Executive Officer Severance Pay policy, adopted by the Company's board of directors on December 14, 2012, Mr. Helmbrecht will be entitled to receive severance pay equal to one year's base salary.

The press release announcing this matter is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press release dated April 24, 2014.

#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

ITRON, INC.

Dated: April 24, 2014 By: /s/ PHILIP C. MEZEY

Philip C. Mezey

President and Chief Executive

Officer

### **EXHIBIT INDEX**

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