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Form 8-K  
October 18, 2007

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

Current Report

Pursuant To Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 17, 2007

TENNECO INC.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	1-12387 (Commission File Number)	76-0515284 (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation Identification No.)
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500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE, LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	60045 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (847) 482-5000

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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

On October 17, 2007, Tenneco Inc. announced that it has changed the size of its Board of Directors to nine members and that Dennis J. Letham has been elected to the company's Board of Directors by action of the Board of Directors on that date. The Board of Directors also appointed Mr. Letham to be a member of the Audit Committee of the company's Board of Directors, effective immediately. Consistent with past practice, Mr. Letham received a grant of 747 shares of restricted stock, representing a pro rata portion of the annual grant of 3,500 shares of restricted stock granted to each of the other outside directors in January 2007. Mr. Letham will also receive the pro rata portion of the annual retainer fee paid to outside directors for 2007. Mr. Letham's election is described in the company's press release, dated October 17, 2007, which is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

### ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Exhibit No. -----	Description -----
99.1	Press release issued October 17, 2007

### 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.

TENNECO INC.

Date: October 18, 2007

By: /s/ David A. Wardell

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David A. Wardell  
Senior Vice President, General  
Counsel and Corporate Secretary