
**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): September 15, 2011

Gevo, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

001-35073
Commission
File Number

87-0747704
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

345 Inverness Drive South, Building C, Suite 310, Englewood, CO 80112
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(303) 858-8358**

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.

The information set forth below in Item 5.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 1.01.

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

(d) Election of Director

On September 15, 2011, the board of directors (the "Board") of Gevo, Inc. (the "Company") approved the appointment of Gary W. Mize to the Board as a Class III director, with a current term that will expire at the annual meeting of stockholders to be held in 2013. Upon his appointment to the Board, Mr. Mize received an initial award of 7,159 restricted shares of the Company's common stock and an initial nonqualified stock option award to purchase 10,828 shares of common stock at an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the common stock on the date of grant. Both awards were made pursuant to the Company's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan and will vest in equal monthly installments over a period of three years from the grant date. Mr. Mize will also be eligible to receive annual grants of restricted shares and stock options, and other compensation consistent with the Company's compensation policy for his service as a non-employee director, as specified from time to time by the Board. Mr. Mize is a global agribusiness industry veteran and brings significant experience to the Company's Board. Mr. Mize will also enter into the Company's form of indemnification agreement for directors.

Copies of the Company's form of restricted stock award agreement, form of stock option award agreement and form of indemnification agreement are attached as exhibits to this Current Report on Form 8-K and are incorporated herein by reference.

Mr. Mize currently serves as partner and owner of MR & Associates, and has previously served as the president of Rawhide Energy LLC, as non-executive chairman of Ceres Global AG and as the chief operating officer and executive director of Noble Group. Mr. Mize received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Marketing from Michigan State University at East Lansing. The Company issued a press release announcing the appointment of Mr. Mize on September 15, 2011, a copy of the press release is furnished 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.

(d) Exhibits.

- 10.1 Form of Restricted Stock Award Agreement under the 2010 Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.21 to the Company's Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2010, which was filed on March 29, 2011).
- 10.2 Form of Stock Option Award Agreement under the 2010 Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.22 to the Company's Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2010, which was filed on March 29, 2011).
- 10.3 Form of Indemnification Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.33 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A which was filed on January 19, 2011 (File No. 333-168792)).
- 99.1 Press Release of Gevo, Inc., dated September 15, 2011.

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.

Gevo, Inc.

By: /s/ Mark Smith

Mark Smith

Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 16, 2011



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For Immediate Release

Agribusiness Expert, Gary W. Mize, Joins Gevo's Board of Directors

Englewood, CO—September 15, 2011—Further rounding out the experience base of its board of directors, Gevo, Inc. (NASDAQ: GEVO), a renewable chemicals and advanced biofuels company, has appointed Gary W. Mize, partner and owner at MR & Associates, as a director. With over 35 years of experience in agribusiness, Mize brings a critical expertise in commodities and trading.

“Gevo’s vision of a biobased economy seeks to connect the agricultural supply chain to the refining and petrochemical supply chain using a drop-in biofuel/biochemical building block,” said Patrick Gruber, Ph.D., chief executive officer of Gevo. “Gary has been in senior executive positions at Cargill, ConAgra, Nobel, and Ceres AG, where he has been responsible for businesses that trade and process agricultural commodities. This experience, along with Gary’s insights and expertise in agricultural commodities, trading and agricultural inputs, will be a valuable addition to our board and our world class team.”

Prior to his current position at MR & Associates, which he’s held since 2010, Mize was president of Rawhide Energy LLC, an ethanol company, and served as non-executive chairman at Ceres Global AG, a Canadian public company that serves as a vehicle for agribusiness investments. He also has served as the chief operating officer and executive director of Noble Group, Hong Kong, was president of the Grain Processing Group at ConAgra Foods, Inc., president and CEO of ConAgra Malt and held various positions at Cargill, Inc.

About Gevo

Gevo is converting existing ethanol plants into biorefineries to make renewable building block products for the chemical and fuel industries. The Company plans to convert renewable raw materials into isobutanol and renewable hydrocarbons that can be directly integrated on a “drop in” basis into existing chemical and fuel products to deliver environmental and economic benefits. Gevo is committed to a sustainable biobased economy that meets society’s needs for plentiful food and clean air and water. For more information, visit www.gevo.com

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