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): June 8, 2023



ENERGY RECOVERY, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

001-34112 (Commission File Number)

01-0616867 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

> 1717 Doolittle Drive, San Leandro, California 94577 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(510) 483-7370

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered	
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	ERII	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC	

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Emerging growth company \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

The Company held its 2023 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") on June 8, 2023, to (i) elect five (5) members of the Board, (ii) approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, the compensation of the Company's named executive officers, (iii) ratify the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm, and (iv) approve, on an advisory basis, the frequency of future stockholder advisory votes on the compensation of the Company's named executive officers.

As of April 10, 2023, the record date for the Annual Meeting, there were 56,343,725 shares of common stock outstanding and entitled to vote. At the Annual Meeting, 48,200,097 shares of common stock, or approximately 85.5% of the shares outstanding as of the record date, were represented in person or by proxy, constituting a quorum.

The final results for the proposals voted on at the Annual Meeting are set forth below:

Proposal 1 – Election of Directors

The stockholders elected five (5) Directors of the Board to serve for a one-year term until the 2024 Annual Meeting or a respective successor is elected and qualified or until the director's earlier death, resignation, or removal. The following table shows the results of the stockholders' vote:

Nominee for Director	Votes For (% of Voted)	Votes Withheld (% of Voted)	Broker Non-Votes
Alexander Buehler	42,516,382 (99.1%)	393,677 (0.9%)	5,290,038
Joan K. Chow	42,573,448 (99.2%)	336,611 (0.8%)	5,290,038
Arve Hanstveit	39,429,953 (91.9%)	3,480,106 (8.1%)	5,290,038
Robert Yu Lang Mao	41,616,031 (97.0%)	1,294,028 (3.0%)	5,290,038
Pamela L. Tondreau	42,138,174 (98.2%)	771,885 (1.8%)	5,290,038

Proposal 2 – Non-Binding Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation.

This proposal was approved. The following table shows the results of the stockholders' vote:

Votes For (% of Voted)	Votes Against (% of Voted)	Abstentions (% of Voted)	Broker Non-Votes
38,370,162 (89.4%)	2,328,604 (5.4%)	2,211,293 (5.2%)	5,290,038

Proposal 3 – Ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2023.

This proposal was approved. The following table shows the results of the stockholders' vote:

Votes For (% of Voted)	Votes Against (% of Voted)	Abstentions (% of Voted)
47,896,307 (99.4%)	116,173 (0.2%)	187,617 (0.4%)

Proposal 4 – Advisory Vote on Frequency of Executive Compensation Advisory Vote.

The following table shows the results of the stockholders' advisory vote on frequency of executive compensation.

Annual (% of Voted)	Biennial (% of Voted)	Triennial (% of Votes)	Abstentions (% of Voted)	Broker Non-Votes
42,093,449 (98.1%)	83,393 (0.2%)	695,954 (1.6%)	37,263 (0.1%)	5,290,038

Based upon the results set forth in Proposal 4 above, the Company has determined that the frequency of executive compensation will be submitted to the stockholders annually. The Company believes that more, rather than less, structured feedback from stockholders on executive compensation is preferable. The Company also believes that any risk that an annual say-on-pay vote may pose to compensation incentives designed for longer-term results can be mitigated by clear communications to stockholders.

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.

Energy Recovery, Inc.

Date: June 12, 2023

By: /s/ William Yeung William Yeung

Chief Legal Officer