

CONEXANT SYSTEMS INC

Form 10-K/A

December 17, 2008

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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Form 10-K/A**

**Amendment No. 1**

- þ ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the fiscal year ended October 3, 2008  
OR**
- o TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Commission file number: 000-24923**

**CONEXANT SYSTEMS, INC.**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

**Delaware**

*(State of incorporation)*

**25-1799439**

*(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)*

**4000 MacArthur Boulevard**

**Newport Beach, California**

*(Address of principal executive offices)*

**92660-3095**

*(Zip code)*

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code:**

**(949) 483-4600**

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

**Title of Each Class:**

**Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered:**

Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value Per Share  
(including associated Preferred Share Purchase Rights)

The Nasdaq Stock Market, LLC

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

**None**

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes  No

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Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company   
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes  No

The aggregate market value of the registrant's voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant (based on the closing price as reported on the Nasdaq Global Select Market on March 28, 2008) was approximately \$0.3 billion. Shares of voting stock held by each officer and director and by each shareowner affiliated with a director have been excluded from this calculation because such persons may be deemed to be affiliates. This determination of officer or affiliate status is not necessarily a conclusive determination for other purposes. The number of outstanding shares of the registrant's Common Stock as of November 14, 2008 was 49,600,996.

### Documents Incorporated by Reference

Portions of the registrant's Proxy Statement for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareowners to be held on February 18, 2009 are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Form 10-K.

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This Amendment No. 1 amends Conexant Systems Inc. s (the Company ) Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended October 3, 2008, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 26, 2008 (the Original Filing ). The Company is filing this Amendment No. 1 for the sole purpose of providing revised Reports of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm and Exhibit 23, which include the conformed signature of the Company s independent registered public accounting firm. The conformed signatures were not included in the Original Filing due to a clerical error in the Edgar conversion. Amendment No. 1 does not include the entire Form 10-K.

Except as described above, this Amendment No. 1 does not amend any other information set forth in the Original Filing and the Company has not updated disclosures included therein to reflect any events that occurred subsequent to November 26, 2008.

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of  
Conexant Systems, Inc.  
Newport Beach, California

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Conexant Systems, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company ) as of October 3, 2008 and September 28, 2007, and the related consolidated statements of operations, cash flows and shareholders' equity and comprehensive loss for each of the three years in the period ended October 3, 2008. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule listed in Item 15. These consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall consolidated financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Conexant Systems, Inc. and subsidiaries as of October 3, 2008 and September 28, 2007, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended October 3, 2008, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, such financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, present fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of October 3, 2008, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated November 25, 2008 expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Costa Mesa, California  
November 25, 2008

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of  
Conexant Systems, Inc.  
Newport Beach, California

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of Conexant Systems, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company ) as of October 3, 2008, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. The Company’s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management’s Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company’s internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company’s internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the company’s principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the company’s board of directors, management, and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company’s internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company’s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of October 3, 2008, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule as of and for the year ended October 3, 2008 of the Company and our report dated November 25, 2008 expressed an unqualified opinion on those

consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Costa Mesa, California

November 25, 2008

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**PART IV**

**ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SCHEDULES**

**Exhibit Listing**

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| 24              | Power of Attorney authorizing certain persons to sign this Annual Report on Form 10-K on behalf of certain directors and officers of the Company |

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Newport Beach, State of California, on November 25, 2008.

CONEXANT SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ D. SCOTT MERCER

D. Scott Mercer  
*Chairman and Chief Executive Officer*

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, this report has been signed on November 25, 2008 by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities indicated:

| <b>Signature</b>      | <b>Title</b>  |
|-----------------------|---|
| D. Scott Mercer       | Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer<br>(Principal Executive Officer)                |
| D. Scott Mercer       |   |
| Christian Scherp      | President   |
| Christian Scherp      |   |
| Karen Roscher*        | Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer<br>(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer) |
| Karen Roscher         |   |
| William E. Bendush*   | Director  |
| William E. Bendush    |   |
| Steven J. Bilodeau*   | Director  |
| Steven J. Bilodeau    |   |
| Dwight W. Decker*     | Director  |
| Dwight W. Decker      |   |
| F. Craig Farrill*     | Director  |
| F. Craig Farrill      |   |
| Balakrishnan S. Iyer* | Director  |

Balakrishnan S. Iyer

Matthew E. Massengill\*

Director

Matthew E. Massengill

Jerre L. Stead\*

Director

Jerre L. Stead

\*By: /s/ KAREN ROSCHER  
Karen Roscher, Attorney-in-fact\*\*

\*\* By authority of the power of attorney filed as Exhibit 24 hereto

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