

AMPEX CORP /DE/  
Form 8-K  
December 20, 2004

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

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

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 17, 2004**

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**AMPEX CORPORATION /DE/**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**0-20292**  
(Commission File Number)

**13-3667696**  
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

**1228 Douglas Avenue**  
**Redwood City, California 94063-3117**

(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

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

**(650) 367-2011**

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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))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On December 17, 2004, Ampex Corporation announced that it has redeemed all of its outstanding 20% Senior Discount Notes due 2006 with an accreted value of \$10.2 million, and has also notified the trustee of its 12% Senior Notes due August 2008 that the company intends to redeem \$50 million of the Senior Notes at the end of December 2004. A copy of the company's press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(c) Exhibits.**

99.1 Press Release of Ampex Corporation dated December 17, 2004.

**[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]**

**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 thereunto duly authorized.

AMPEX CORPORATION

By: /s/ Joel D. Talcott

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Joel D. Talcott  
Vice President and Secretary

Date: December 17, 2004

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

**Exhibit**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1*	Press Release of Ampex Corporation dated December 17, 2004.

\* Filed herewith.