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): March 15, 2006

AMPEX CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

0-20292 (Commission File Number) 13-3667696 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

1228 Douglas Avenue

Identification No.)

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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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On March 15, 2006, Ampex Corporation issued a press release announcing its preliminary unaudited year-end and fourth quarter 2005 financial results. The company also announced that it will file a Form 12b-25 with the Commission to obtain a 15-day extension to file its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005. A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release of Ampex Corporation dated March 15, 2006.

[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 Joel D. Talcott Vice President and Secretary

Date: March 15, 2006

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1* Press Release dated March 15, 2006.

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^{*} Filed herewith.