

HAEMONETICS CORP  
Form 8-K  
April 08, 2009

**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) April 2, 2009**

**HAEMONETICS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Massachusetts**

**1-10730**

**04-2882273**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

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

400 Wood Road Braintree, MA

02184

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 781-848-7100

(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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*Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management*

**ITEM 5.02. DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS, APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS**

On April 2, 2009, Richard Meelia tendered his resignation from the Board of Directors with immediate effect. Mr. Meelia was elected to the Board of Directors in 2005 and was serving a term that expired in 2011. Mr. Meelia is Chairman, President and CEO of Covidien Ltd., a global healthcare products company. He is resigning from Haemonetics Board in order to spend more professional time on Covidien's operations.

**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.

**HAEMONETICS CORPORATION**

(Registrant)

Date: April 8, 2009

**/s/ Christopher J. Lindop**

Christopher J. Lindop, Chief Financial  
Officer and Vice President Business  
Development

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