

COHERENT INC
Form 8-K
June 06, 2007

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 1, 2007**

COHERENT, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

000-05255
(Commission File No.)

94-1622541
(IRS Employer Identification
Number)

5100 Patrick Henry Drive
Santa Clara, CA 95054

(Address of principal executive offices)

(408) 764-4000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On June 1, 2007, Coherent, Inc. (the Company) received the resignation from its board of directors of its chairman of the board Bernard Couillaud effective June 1, 2007. On June 4, 2007, the board of directors appointed Garry W. Rogerson as chairman of the board. Also on June 4, 2007, the board of directors extended the term of the Company s Change of Control Severance Plan (the Plan) to June 4, 2009. The Plan was adopted in February 2005.

ITEM 8.01. Other Events

On June 4, 2007, pursuant to the Company s Bylaws, the board of directors reduced the authorized number of directors on the board from 8 members to 6 members.

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.

COHERENT, INC.

Date: June 6, 2007

By: /s/ Bret M. DiMarco
Bret M. DiMarco
Executive Vice President and
General Counsel

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