

SENESCO TECHNOLOGIES INC

Form 8-K

December 05, 2008

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**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): **December 1, 2008**

**Senesco Technologies, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-31326**

(Commission File Number)

**84-1368850**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**303 George Street, Suite 420, New Brunswick, New Jersey**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**08901**

(Zip Code)

**(732) 296-8400**

(Registrant's telephone number,  
including area code)

**Not applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)).
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**Item 1.02 Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.**

As previously disclosed, on November 19, 2001, Senesco Technologies, Inc. (the Company) entered into a worldwide exclusive license agreement with the Harris Moran Seed Company, ( Harris Moran ) to commercialize the Company's technology in lettuce and certain melons for an indefinite term, unless terminated by either party pursuant to the terms of the agreement (the License Agreement). Under the License Agreement, the Company received an upfront payment and could receive benchmark payments upon achievement of certain research and marketing milestones.

On December 5, 2008, the Company announced that the License Agreement has been terminated by the mutual agreement of the parties because of Harris Moran's recently announced corporate restructuring.

Harris Moran has reported that its parent company, Limagrain, restructured its vegetable seed operations and that Harris Moran will now be part of a new Business Unit with Clause (France) and Marco Polo (Thailand). This restructuring has resulted in a consolidation of R&D efforts amongst Harris Moran and its sister companies that will not encompass Senesco's technology. Harris Moran made Senesco aware of this shift in R&D focus and presented the Company with a letter on December 1, 2008 formally ending the relationship through the mutual agreement of the parties.

Pursuant to the terms of the License Agreement all rights to use Senesco's technology in lettuce and melon revert to Senesco. In addition, there are no further monies due by either party to each other under the terms of the agreement.

On December 5, 2008, the Company issued a press release announcing the termination of the License Agreement with Harris Moran. A copy of this press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1.

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

**(d) Exhibits.**

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
|--------------------|---|
| 99.1               | Press Release of Senesco Technologies, Inc. dated December 5, 2008. |

SIGNATURE

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.

**SENESCO TECHNOLOGIES, INC.**

Dated: December 5, 2008

By: /s/ Bruce Galton

Name:

Bruce Galton

Title:

President and Chief Executive Officer