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AVANEX CORP

CIK: **1056794** | IRS No.: **943285348** | State of Incorporation: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **0630**
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SIC: **3674** Semiconductors & related devices

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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549**

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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)
August 25, 2008

AVANEX CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

000-29175
(Commission File Number)

94-3285348
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**40919 Encyclopedia Circle
Fremont, California 94538**
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(510) 897-4188
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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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 Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Departure of Executive Officer

On August 25, 2008, Avanex Corporation (the “Company”) accepted the resignation of Patrick Edsell, the Company’ s Senior Vice President and General Manager, effective August 25, 2008. Mr. Edsell is leaving the Company for personal reasons.

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.

AVANEX CORPORATION

By: /s/ GIOVANNI BARBAROSSA

Giovanni Barbarossa

Interim Chief Executive Officer

Date: August 29, 2008