

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)

February 25, 2009

Energy Recovery, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-34112

01-0616867

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

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

1908 Doolittle Dr. San Leandro, CA

94577

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

510-483-7370

N/A

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

On February 23, 2009, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Energy Recovery, Inc. ("Company") elected Elisabeth Paté-Cornell, Professor and Chair of Stanford University's Department of Management Science and Engineering, as a director to fill the current vacancy. The Board also expanded the number of directors to eight (8) and elected Jackalyn Pfannenstiel to fill the newly created position. Until earlier this year, Ms. Pfannenstiel was Chairman of the California Energy Commission.

Ms. Paté-Cornell and Ms. Pfannenstiel will receive the same compensation as other non-employee directors: (i) annual cash compensation of \$50,000 pro-rated to reflect their service for a partial term and (ii) one-time grants of 100,000 options of Company stock. Ms. Paté-Cornell and Ms. Pfannenstiel have not yet been named to serve on any committee of the Board.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

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.

ENERGY RECOVERY, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: **February 25, 2009**

/s/ Thomas Willardson

Thomas Willardson

(Chief Financial Officer)

ERI Expands Its Board With a New Director

Jackalyne Pfannenstiel, Former California Energy Commission Chairman, Appointed to ERI Board of Directors

SAN LEANDRO, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--February 26, 2009--Energy Recovery, Inc. ("ERI") (NASDAQ:ERII), a global leader of ultra-high-efficiency energy recovery products and technology for desalination announces the newest addition to its board of directors, Jackalyne Pfannenstiel, former Chairman of the California Energy Commission.

Jackalyne Pfannenstiel was appointed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger to a five-year term as Commissioner and Chairman of the California Energy Commission. The Energy Commission is a full-time energy regulatory and policy agency. As Chair, Ms. Pfannenstiel focused on climate change, energy efficiency, demand response, renewable energy and land use. She was also the presiding commissioner for the 2007 Integrated Energy Policy Report, which documented recommendations on executive and legislative actions governing how the energy sector will meet California's carbon reduction goals.

Prior to heading the Commission, she was the Vice President of Strategic Initiatives for Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) and PG&E Corporation in San Francisco, CA. She held various responsibilities at the utility company over a 20-year career. Ms. Pfannenstiel received her BA in economics from Clark University, her MA in economics from the University of Hartford, and an executive MBA from Stanford University.

GG Pique, ERI President and CEO stated, "Jackie's work and advocacy in energy efficiency at the state level is extremely valuable to us, and we're delighted she's joined. Bringing engineering sciences and energy efficiency experts to our board will help us move in the right direction to increase awareness of the crucial interdependence between water and energy, as well as the global fresh water scarcity now starting to affect California."

About ERI®

Energy Recovery, Inc. (ERI) is a leading manufacturer of energy recovery devices which help make desalination affordable by significantly reducing energy consumption. ERI's PX Pressure Exchanger® (PX®) device is a rotary positive displacement pump that recovers energy from the high pressure reject stream of SWRO systems at up to 98% efficiency with no downtime or scheduled maintenance.

The company has research, development and manufacturing facilities in the San Francisco technology corridor as well as direct sales offices and technical support centers in key desalination hubs such as Madrid, UAE, Shanghai and Florida. ERI service representatives are based in Algeria, Australia, China, India, Korea, Mexico, Taiwan and the Caribbean.

For more information on ERI and PX technology, please visit www.energyrecovery.com.

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