

NETLIST INC  
Form 8-K  
January 20, 2010

**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): **January 14, 2010**

**Netlist, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-33170**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**95-4812784**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**51 Discovery, Irvine, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**92618**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(949) 435-0025**

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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 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers; Compensatory Arrangement of Certain Officers.**

On January 19, 2010, Netlist, Inc. issued a press release announcing that senior executive Richard J. Char has been named to its Board of Directors and elected to chair the Audit Committee, effective immediately. Char will serve as an independent director and fills the vacancy left on the Board from the departure of Preston Romm in May 2009. With the addition, the size of the Board increases to five members. The Company believes that Char's appointment will put the Company back in compliance with NASDAQ's independent director and audit committee requirements. A copy of the press release is furnished hereto as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

The information included in this Item 5.02 of Current Report on Form 8-K, including the attached Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of such section, or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

**ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is furnished herewith:

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press release, dated January 19, 2010

**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.

Date: January 20, 2010

NETLIST, INC.

/s/ Gail Itow  
Gail Itow  
Vice President and Secretary