

AMERICAN SUPERCONDUCTOR CORP /DE/

Form 8-K

October 07, 2011

**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):
October 7, 2011**

American Superconductor Corporation
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-19672
(Commission
File Number)

04-2959321
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

64 Jackson Road
Devens, Massachusetts
(Address of principal executive offices)

01434
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(978) 842-3000**
Not Applicable

(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):

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 - ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
 - ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 - ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01. Other Events.

American Superconductor Corporation's (the Company) 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the 2011 Annual Meeting) has been scheduled for December 8, 2011. The Company's board of directors has established the close of business on October 27, 2011 as the record date for stockholders entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the 2011 Annual Meeting.

The Company also has established a new deadline for the receipt of stockholder proposals submitted pursuant to Rule 14a-8 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), for inclusion in the Company's proxy materials for the 2011 Annual Meeting. In order to be considered timely, such proposals must be received at the Company's headquarters at 64 Jackson Road, Devens, Massachusetts, Attention: Corporate Secretary, no later than October 17, 2011, and must also comply with Rule 14a-8 of the Exchange Act regarding the inclusion of stockholder proposals in company-sponsored proxy materials. This deadline also will apply in determining whether notice is timely for purposes of exercising discretionary voting authority with respect to proxies for purposes of Rule 14a-4(c) of the Exchange Act.

Additionally, in accordance with the advance notice provisions set forth in the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws (the Bylaws), in order for other business to be brought before the 2011 Annual Meeting outside of Rule 14a-8 of the Exchange Act or a director nomination submitted by a stockholder to be considered timely, it must be received at the Company's headquarters at 64 Jackson Road, Devens, Massachusetts, Attention: Corporate Secretary, no later than the close of business on October 17, 2011, and must comply with the provisions set forth in the Company's Bylaws and applicable law.

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.

AMERICAN SUPERCONDUCTOR
CORPORATION

Date: October 7, 2011

By: /s/ David A. Henry
David A. Henry
*Senior Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer*