

EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES

Form 8-K

March 16, 2005

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 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): March 11, 2005

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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| Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | 1-11263 (Commission File Number) | 23-0552730 (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
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| Crossroads Corporate Center 3150 Brunswick Pike Suite 230 Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) | 08648 (Zip Code) |
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(609) 512-3000**

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:

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

On March 16, 2005, the Company announced the election of Mark C. Demetree to its Board of Directors. Mr. Demetree will serve on the Company's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. As described in more detail in the Company's Report on Form 8-K filed on March 3, 2005, Mr. Demetree was elected based on nominations submitted by Sandell Asset Management Corp.

A copy of the press release announcing the election, dated March 16, 2005, is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) *Exhibits.*

99.1 Press Release, dated March 16, 2005.

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.

EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES
(Registrant)

Date: March 16, 2005

By: /S/ STUART H. KUPINSKY
Name: Stuart H. Kupinsky
Title: Executive Vice President, General
Counsel and Secretary