

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) March 1, 2006 (March 1, 2006)

CAPSTONE TURBINE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-15957
(Commission file number)

95-4180883
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

21211 Nordhoff Street, Chatsworth, California 91311
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(818) 734-5300
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Section 5 — Corporate Governance and Management

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

Effective March 1, 2006, Antonio Rodriguez, 40, has been appointed the Company's Chief Accounting Officer. Mr. Rodriguez was appointed the Company's Vice President of Finance on January 3, 2006 and will continue to hold that title.

Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Rodriguez served as Vice President of Finance for ValueClick, Inc., a publicly-traded internet media and technology firm, from June 2000 until December 2005, where, among other things, he managed due diligence and integration of acquisitions of both public and private companies, as well as managing the accounting department, budgeting and forecasting, and SEC reporting. Before joining ValueClick, Inc., Mr. Rodriguez served as a Senior Manager in the Assurance Practice of the Manufacturing, Retailing and Distribution line of business at KPMG, LLP, where he served publicly-traded manufacturing clients as well as large and middle-market privately-held manufacturing clients. In addition to his audit client responsibilities, Mr. Rodriguez served as a national KPMG Instructor for KPMG's Business Measurement Process audit methodology, focusing on business strategies, risk and processes. Mr. Rodriguez graduated from California State University, Northridge with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Accounting and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

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SIGNATURE

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.

CAPSTONE TURBINE CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Date: March 1, 2006

By: /s/ Walter J. McBride

Walter J. McBride
Chief Financial Officer