

**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) May 16, 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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(b) Departure of Directors or Principal Officers

On May 16, 2006, Richard Donnelly informed Capstone Turbine Corporation (the “Company”) that he was unable to stand for re-election for another term as a director of the Company because of other activities demanding his full-time commitment. Mr. Donnelly has provided valuable service to the Company since February 2003. All of the remaining directors have indicated their intention to stand for re-election. Mr. Donnelly will continue to serve as a director of the Company until the expiration of his term at the annual meeting of stockholders of the Company scheduled for August 18, 2006.

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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: May 22, 2006

By: /s/ Walter J. McBride

Walter J. McBride

Chief Financial Officer