

HARMAN INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIES INC /DE/  
Form 8-K  
January 06, 2005

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): **December 31, 2004**

**HARMAN INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIES, INCORPORATED**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-09764**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**11-2534306**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**1101 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 1010**  
**Washington, D.C. 20004**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(202) 393-1101**

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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))

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

As previously reported, Gregory P. Stapleton, formerly Harman International's President and Chief Operating Officer and a director, retired as of December 31, 2004. As a result, he is no longer an officer or director of Harman International or any of its subsidiaries effective that date.

**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.

HARMAN INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIES,  
INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Frank Meredith  
Frank Meredith  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 6, 2005