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STEC, INC. Form 8-K February 19, 2009

# **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) February 18, 2009

STEC, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

California (State or other jurisdiction 000-31623 (Commission 33-0399154 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

**Identification No.)** 

3001 Daimler Street,

Santa Ana, California (Address of principal executive offices)

92705-5812 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (949) 476-1180

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report.)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### ITEM 8.01. Other Events.

On February 18, 2009, STEC, Inc. (the Company ) entered into a Settlement Agreement (the Settlement Agreement ) with Seagate Technology LLC, Seagate Technology International, Seagate Singapore International Headquarters Pte. Ltd., Maxtor Corporation, and William D. Watkins (collectively, Seagate ) to dismiss with prejudice their respective claims in the lawsuit pending between them in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, titled Seagate Technology LLC et al. v. STEC, Inc., Case No. 5:08-CV-01950 (the Lawsuit ). Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, the parties jointly filed a stipulated order of dismissal with prejudice with the court on February 18, 2009. Under the terms of the Settlement Agreement, the parties also agreed to release each other from liability for all claims asserted by the other in the Lawsuit, with each party bearing its own fees and costs incurred in connection with the Lawsuit. As part of the dismissal, no money was exchanged and neither party licensed its technology to the other.

The foregoing description is qualified by reference to the Settlement Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

#### ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

# Exhibit

## Number Description of Exhibit

99.1 Settlement Agreement, dated February 18, 2009, by and between Seagate Technology LLC, Seagate Technology International, Seagate Singapore International Headquarters Pte. Ltd., and Maxtor Corporation; William D. Watkins; and STEC, Inc.

### **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 thereunto duly authorized.

STEC, Inc.

Date: February 18, 2009 By: /s/ Manouch Moshayedi

Manouch Moshayedi

Chief Executive Officer

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