

AVNET INC  
Form 8-K  
October 10, 2008

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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):

October 10, 2008

AVNET, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York

1-4224

11-1890605

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

2211 South 47th Street, Phoenix, Arizona

85034

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

480-643-2000

Not Applicable

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- 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))

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On October 10, 2008, Avnet issued a press release announcing that it plans to acquire Abacus Group PLC (Abacus) through a cash tender offer. Abacus is a leading value-added distributor of electronic components serving customers in 10 countries across Europe. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

The following materials are attached as exhibits to this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit Number	Description
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99.1	Press Release, dated October 10, 2008.
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**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.

AVNET, INC.

*October 10, 2008*

By: */s/ Raymond Sadowski*

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*Name: Raymond Sadowski*

*Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*

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