

**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

October 26, 2010

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

SONUS NETWORKS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-34115
(Commission File Number)

04-3387074
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

7 TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE, WESTFORD, MASSACHUSETTS 01886

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(978) 614-8100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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):

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- 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 Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On October 26, 2010, the Board of Directors of Sonus Networks, Inc. (the "Company") appointed Elmer Lai, Vice President, Finance and Corporate Controller of the Company, as the principal accounting officer of the Company effective October 26, 2010. Mr. Lai replaces Wayne Pastore, who will continue as the Company's Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

Mr. Lai, age 39, has been Vice President and Corporate Controller since joining the Company in August 2010. From May 2001 to July 2010, he was the Corporate Controller of Airvana, Inc., a wireless infrastructure provider. Mr. Lai is a licensed certified public accountant and holds an M.B.A. from Boston University and a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Cornell University.

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.

By:

/s/ Jeffrey M. Snider

Jeffrey M. Snider

Senior Vice President and General Counsel