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#### FORM 6-K

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# **Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of October, 2004

Commission File Number 1-7616

# PIONEER CORPORATION

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

# 4-1, MEGURO 1-CHOME, MEGURO-KU, TOKYO 153-8654, JAPAN

(Address of principal executive offices)

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

PIONEER CORPORATION (Registrant) By /s/ Kaneo Ito

> Kaneo Ito President and Representative Director

Date: October 1, 2004

This report on Form 6-K contains the following:

1. The announcement released by the Company to the press in Japan dated October 1, 2004, concerning the completion of acquisition of NEC Plasma Display Corporation.

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For Immediate Release October 1, 2004

# Pioneer Completes Acquisition of NEC Plasma Display Corporation

TOKYO Pioneer Corporation today announced that it had on September 30, 2004 completed acquisition of all the shares in NEC Plasma Display Corporation (NPD), a subsidiary of NEC Corporation, pursuant to the stock transfer agreement concluded on July 1, 2004. NPD changed its name to Pioneer Plasma Display Corporation as of September 30, 2004. Matters pertaining to the acquisition are as follows:

# I. Reason for Acquisition

Pioneer acquired NPD shares in order to meet fast-growing global demand for plasma displays, which is a core business for Pioneer, and to ensure its leading role in this market. Pioneer believes that the integration of the development and manufacturing capabilities of both companies the result of the acquisition of NPD, a company whose products have technological affinity with Pioneer s will boost its production volume of plasma displays.

#### **II.** Outline of NPD

(1) Company Name:

NEC Plasma Display Corporation

(New Name: Pioneer Plasma Display Corporation)

(2) President:

Kenji Tokuyama

(3) Headquarters:

2080, Ohnohara-cho, Izumi, Kagoshima, Japan

(4) Established:

September 5, 1986

(5) Principal Business:

Development, designing, manufacture, sale and maintenance of plasma displays

(6) Closing of Accounts:

March 31

(7) Number of Employees:

1,024

(8) Principal Place of Business:

Headquarters and Kagoshima Plant:

2080, Ohnohara-cho, Izumi, Kagoshima, Japan

Tamagawa Office:

1753, Shimonumabe, Nakahara-ku, Kawasaki, Kanagawa, Japan

(9) Paid-in Capital:

10 billion yen

(10) Number of Shares Issued:

505,000 shares

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(11) Shareholder:

NEC Corporation (100%)

(12) Operating Results:

(In millions of yen) Year ended March 31

	2004	2003
Net sales	¥49,229	¥14,974
Operating income (loss)	(6,439)	(5,713)
Net income (loss)	(6,638)	(3,676)
Total assets	43,435	43,740
Shareholders equity	15,065	21,704

#### **III. Outline of NEC**

(1) Company Name:

**NEC Corporation** 

(2) President:

Akinobu Kanasugi

(3) Headquarters:

7-1, Shiba 5-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan

(4) Principal Business:

IT solutions business, network solutions business and electron devices business

# **IV.** Summary of Transfer

(1) Number of Shares Held by Pioneer:

Before Transfer: None (0%) After Transfer: 505,000 shares (100%)

(2) Amount Paid upon Transfer:

On September 30, 2004 Pioneer paid approximately 37 billion yen for the acquisition including the loans to and the intellectual property rights of NPD; however, the exact amount will be determined by the end of December 2004 by reviewing NPD s semiannual operating results for the period ending September 30, 2004, and adjustment may be made.

# V. Business Forecasts

The business plans of the new company and their effect on Pioneer s consolidated business forecasts will be disclosed at the earliest opportunity.

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