STONERIDGE INC Form 8-K August 23, 2005

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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):

Stoneridge, Inc.

August 19, 2005

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio 001-13337 34-1598949

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

9400 East Market Street
Warren, Ohio 44484

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (330) 856-2443

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Exchange Act

(17 CFR

240.14a-12)

o Pre-commencement

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pursuant to

Rule 14d-2(b)

under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 19, 2005 Stoneridge, Inc. (the Company) entered into a Severance Agreement and Release (the Severance Agreement) with Joseph M. Mallak (Mallak) in connection with his resignation as the Company s vice president and chief financial officer. Pursuant to the Severance Agreement, in exchange for certain confidentiality, non-inducement and non-interference covenants and a release from Mallak, the Company agreed to pay Mallak \$15,000 (less deductions and withholdings) monthly for 12 months beginning September 30, 2005. The Company also agreed to accelerate the vesting period on 18,600 restricted common shares owned by Mallak to August 19, 2005. A copy of the Severance Agreement is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

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

Mallak resigned as the Company s vice president and chief financial officer on August 19, 2005 (see Item 1.01 above). A copy of the Company s August 22, 2005 announcement regarding Mallak s resignation is attached as Exhibit 99.2.

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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.

Stoneridge, Inc.

Date: August 23, 2005 /s/ Gerald V. Pisani

Gerald V. Pisani, President and Chief Executive

Officer

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Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Severance Agreement and Release between the Company and Joseph M. Mallak.
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