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): March 21, 2005

AMPEX CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

0-20292 (Commission File Number) 13-3667696 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

1228 Douglas Avenue

Redwood City, California 94063-3117

(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(650) 367-2011

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 21, 2005, Ampex Corporation announced that it has concluded a license agreement with Olympus Corporation, based in Japan. The agreement was entered into pursuant to Ampex s ongoing patent licensing program, and permits the use of U.S. and foreign patents held by Ampex in the manufacture and sale of digital still cameras. A copy of Ampex s press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Press Release of Ampex Corporation dated March 21, 2005.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

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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.

AMPEX CORPORATION

By: /s/ Joel D. Talcott

Joel D. Talcott Vice President and Secretary

Date: March 21, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1* Press Release dated March 21, 2005.

^{*} Filed herewith.