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): April 15, 2005

AMPEX CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-20292 (Commission File Number) 13-3667696 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1228 Douglas Avenue

Redwood City, California 94063-3117

(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(650) 367-2011

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 15, 2005, Ampex Corporation issued a press release announcing that it will be late in filing its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004. The company expects that the Annual Report will be filed early during the week of April 18, 2005. The press release also announced changes to the company s previously reported preliminary unaudited financial results for the 2004 fiscal year. A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release of Ampex Corporation dated April 15, 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: April 15, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1* Press Release dated April 15, 2005.

^{*} Filed herewith.