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| | FORM 8-K/A | |
| (Amendment No. 1) | | |
| Pursuant to Section 13 | CURRENT REPORT or 15(d) of the Securities Exch | nange Act of 1934 |
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| Date of Report (Date | of earliest event reported): Nov | ember 17, 2009 |
| | Adaptec, Inc. | |
| (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) | | |
| <u>Delaware</u> | <u>0-15071</u> | <u>94-2748530</u> |
| (State of other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number) |
| | 691 S. Milpitas Blvd. Milpitas, California 95035 | |
| (Address of principal executive offices including zip coo | le) | |
| | (408) 945-8600 | |
| (Registrant's telephone number, including area code) | | |
| | N/A | |
| (Former Name o | or Former Address, if Changed Since I | (ast 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:

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

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Explanatory Note

On November 20, 2009, Adaptec, Inc. (the "Company") filed a Current Report on Form 8-K for events that occurred on November 17, 2009 (the "Initial Form 8-K") reporting, in part, on the departure of John Noellert, the Company's former Vice President of Worldwide Sales. This Amendment No. 1 to the Initial Form 8-K ("Form 8-K/A") amends and supplements the Initial Form 8-K to update the disclosure relating to Mr. Noellert's severance arrangement.

Except as described in this Form 8-K/A, the Company has not modified or updated other disclosures contained in the Initial Form 8-K. Accordingly, this Form 8-K/A should be read in conjunction with the Initial Form 8-K.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Departure of Named Executive Officer

On November 17, 2009, the Company informed John Noellert, then the Company's Vice President of Worldwide Sales, that his position will be terminated, effective November 20, 2009. In connection with his termination, the Company and Mr. Noellert agreed upon the following severance arrangements in consideration of Mr. Noellert signing a general release in favor of the Company (the "Noellert Separation Agreement"): (1) a lump-sum severance payment equal to twelve months of his target annual earnings, less applicable taxes and withholdings; (2) a lump-sum payment equal to \$12,000; (3) reimbursement of COBRA benefit payments until November 30, 2010; (4) outplacement services valued at up to \$5,000 and (5) reimbursement of \$6,539 for legal fees incurred in connection with the review of the Noellert Separation Agreement. The Noellert Separation Agreement was signed by Mr. Noellert on February 4, 2010; however, Mr. Noellert may revoke his acceptance within seven calendar days of signing it.

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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.

| Adaptec, Inc. | |
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| By: /s/ MARY L. DOTZ | |
| Mary L. Dotz Chief Financial Officer | |

February 10, 2010