AMERICAN SUPERCONDUCTOR CORP /DE/ Form 8-K June 14, 2005

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): June 13, 2005

American Superconductor Corporation

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

0-19672 (Commission File Number) 04-2959321 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

Two Technology Drive, Westborough, MA (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 01581 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (508) 836-4200

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Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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

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

On June 13, 2005, American Superconductor Corporation (the Company) gave notice to David Paratore, the Company s President and Chief Operating Officer, of the termination of his employment for cause. Under the terms of Mr. Paratore s executive agreement with the Company, his termination will take effect on June 28, 2005. The Company s Chairman and CEO, Gregory J. Yurek, has agreed to assume the role of President, which he held from March 1989 to February 2004, until Mr. Paratore s successor is found. The press release issued in connection with Mr. Paratore s termination is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (c) Exhibits
 - 99.1 Press release issued by the Company on June 13, 2005.

SIGNATURE

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.

AMERICAN SUPERCONDUCTOR CORPORATION

Date: June 14, 2005

By: /s/ Gregory J. Yurek

Gregory J. Yurek

Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release issued by American Superconductor Corporation on June 13, 2005.