### 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 27, 2006

**CREE, INC.** (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-21154 (Commission File Number) 56-1572719 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

4600 Silicon Drive Durham, North Carolina (Address of principal executive offices)

27703 (Zip Code)

#### (919) 313-5300

#### Registrant's telephone number, including area code

N/A (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:

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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 March 27, 2006, the Board of Directors of Cree, Inc. (the "Company") elected Thomas H. Werner to the Company's Board of Directors.

The press release issued by the Company on March 28, 2006 announcing the appointment of Mr. Werner is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated herein by reference.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

### (d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press release dated March 28, 2006

## 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.

### CREE, INC.

By:

/s/ Adam H. Broome Adam H. Broome Vice President, Legal

Date: March 28, 2006

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