

MECHANICAL TECHNOLOGY INC
Form 8-K
September 30, 2008

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):

September 26, 2008

MECHANICAL TECHNOLOGY, INCORPORATED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

431 New Karner Road, Albany, New York 12205

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(518) 533-2200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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

Effective September 26, 2008, the Board of Directors of Mechanical Technology, Incorporated, (MTI or the Company) appointed Rodney A. Tillinghast as interim Chief Financial Officer.

Since joining MTI in July 2006, Mr. Tillinghast has served as Corporate Controller and Director of Financial Reporting where he was in charge of preparing and reviewing all SEC financial filings, designing and maintaining all financial reporting disclosures, and helping to implement best accounting practices. He has also served as Assistant Secretary of the Company's Board of Directors since December 2006.

On September 30, 2008, the Company issued a press release regarding the appointment of Mr. Tillinghast. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit <u>No.</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|-----------------------|--|
| 99.1 | Press release of Mechanical Technology, Incorporated issued on September 30, 2008. |

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 hereunto duly authorized.

MECHANICAL TECHNOLOGY, INCORPORATED

Date: September 30, 2008

By: /S/ PENG K. LIM
Name: Peng K. Lim
Title: Chief Executive Officer

