

AETHER SYSTEMS INC  
Form 425  
May 05, 2005

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 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): May 4, 2005

**AETHER SYSTEMS, INC.**

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

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(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

000-27707  
(Commission File Number)

52-2186634  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

621 E. Pratt Street, Suite 601, Baltimore, Maryland  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

21202  
(Zip Code)

(443) 573-9400

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(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On May 4, 2005, Aether Systems, Inc. announced the filing of a registration statement and proxy statement on Form S-4 pursuant to which Aether will seek stockholder approval at its annual meeting for a reorganization in which Aether will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Aether Holdings, Inc., a newly formed Delaware corporation, and each share of Aether common stock will be exchanged for one share of common stock of Aether Holdings, Inc. The sole purpose of the reorganization is to protect the long-term value to Aether of its substantial net operating loss and capital loss carryforwards, which will be accomplished by imposing certain restrictions on the transfer of the common stock of Aether Holdings, Inc. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits

99.1: Press Release of Aether Systems, Inc., dated May 4, 2005.

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SIGNATURES

According 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 on May 4, 2005.

**AETHER SYSTEMS, INC.**

/s/ David C. Reymann

By: David C. Reymann

Its: Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 4, 2005