## 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): January 29, 2013

# **Applied Materials, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 000-06920 (Commission File Number) 94-1655526 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

3050 Bowers Avenue P.O. Box 58039 Santa Clara, CA (Address of principal executive offices)

95052-8039 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (408) 727-5555

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 Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On January 29, 2013, George S. Davis, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, notified Applied Materials, Inc. ("Applied") that he will be departing the company, effective March 8, 2013. On January 30, 2013, Applied issued a press release announcing Mr. Davis' departure.

#### 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.

Applied Materials, Inc. (Registrant)

Date: January 31, 2013

Ву:

/s/ Thomas F. Larkins Thomas F. Larkins

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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