

PIER 1 IMPORTS INC/DE  
Form 8-K  
March 10, 2009  
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 4, 2009

PIER 1 IMPORTS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	001-07832	75-1729843
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

100 Pier 1 Place, Fort Worth, Texas 76102

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

817-252-8000

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

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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.**

(b) On March 4, 2009 Jay R. Jacobs announced that he will retire from Pier 1 Imports, Inc. (the “Company”) effective March 1, 2010. As of March 4, 2009 Mr. Jacobs will no longer serve the Company in the position of Executive Vice President – Merchandising; however, Mr. Jacobs will continue his employment through March 1, 2010 to ensure continuity throughout the transition of his duties.

**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.

**PIER 1 IMPORTS, INC.**

Date: March 10, 2009      By: /s/ Michael A. Carter  
Michael A. Carter, Senior Vice President and  
General Counsel