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ELECTRO SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES INC

Form 8-K December 16, 2002

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): December 16, 2002

ELECTRO SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

OREGON 0-12853 93-0370304 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

13900 NW Science Park Drive, Portland, Oregon 97229
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (503) 641-4141

No Change

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 5. Other Events

On December 16, 2002, Electro Scientific Industries, Inc. (the "Company") announced that James T. Dooley was appointed president and chief executive officer of the Company. Mr. Dooley was also elected as a director of the Company. Mr. Dooley has been senior vice president, chief financial officer and acting chief operating officer since April 2002. The Company's press release announcing these events is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (c) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Press release dated December 16, 2002.

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.

Date: December 16, 2002.

Electro Scientific Industries, Inc.

By /s/ John E. Isselmann, Jr.

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John E. Isselmann, Jr. General Counsel and Assistant Corporate Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press release dated December 16, 2002.