

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):  
May 9, 2012

**American Superconductor Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-19672

(Commission File Number)

04-2959321

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

64 Jackson Road  
Devens, Massachusetts

(Address of principal executive offices)

01434

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(978) 842-3000**

Not Applicable

(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))

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

On May 9, 2012, Peter O. Crisp informed American Superconductor Corporation (the "Company") that he will be retiring from the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") when his current term as a director expires, and will therefore not be standing for re-election to the Board at the Company's 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders scheduled for July 27, 2012.

Mr. Crisp advised the Company that his decision was not the result of any disagreement with the Company.

**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.

**AMERICAN SUPERCONDUCTOR CORPORATION**

Date: May 9, 2012

By: /s/ David A. Henry

David A. Henry

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer