

---

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):

April 13, 2012

AVNET, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York

1-4224

11-1890605

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

2211 South 47th Street, Phoenix, Arizona

85034

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

480-643-2000

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - 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 April 13, 2012, Avnet, Inc. (the "Company") announced that Raymond Sadowski, the Company's Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, has notified the Company of his intent to retire. The Company has initiated a search for Mr. Sadowski's replacement and he will continue in his current role until his successor is in place. The Company issued a press release announcing Mr. Sadowski's intent to retire, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press release dated April 13, 2012



**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.

AVNET, INC.

April 13, 2012

By: */s/ Raymond Sadowski*

---

*Name: Raymond Sadowski*

*Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*

---

Exhibit Index

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release dated April 13, 2012.

Avnet, Inc.  
2211 South 47th St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85034

## PRESS RELEASE

### Avnet, Inc. Announces Plans for Chief Financial Officer Transition Initiates Search for Successor

Phoenix, Arizona, April 13, 2012 — Avnet, Inc. (NYSE:AVT), a leading global technology distributor, announced today that Ray Sadowski, the company's Chief Financial Officer for the past 19 years, has notified the company of his intent to retire. Accordingly, the company has initiated a search to replace him and has engaged Crist/Kolder Associates, a leading specialist search firm, to assist in this process. Mr. Sadowski will remain fully engaged in his current role and responsibilities until his successor is in place and will continue in a senior advisory role as needed to ensure a smooth and seamless transition.

Rick Hamada, chief executive officer, said "Ray's 33 total years of service and significant contributions to Avnet's success are deeply appreciated. Although he will certainly be missed, we understand and respect his desire to initiate this personal transition and appreciate his proactive willingness to assist us through this critical succession."

#### **About Avnet**

Avnet, Inc. (NYSE:AVT), a *Fortune 500* Company, is one of the largest distributors of electronic components, computer products and embedded technology serving customers in more than 70 countries worldwide. Avnet accelerates its partners' success by connecting the world's leading technology suppliers with a broad base of more than 100,000 customers by providing cost-effective, value-added services and solutions. For the fiscal year ended July 2, 2011, Avnet generated revenue of \$26.5 billion. For more information, visit [www.avnet.com](http://www.avnet.com). (AVT—IR)

For more information, visit Avnet's Investor Relations Website at [www.ir.avnet.com](http://www.ir.avnet.com) or contact us at [investorrelations@avnet.com](mailto:investorrelations@avnet.com). (AVT—IR)

#### **CONTACT:**

Avnet, Inc.  
Vince Keenan  
VP, Investor Relations  
(480) 643-7053  
[investorrelations@avnet.com](mailto:investorrelations@avnet.com)

---