ZEBRA TECHNOLOGIES CORP/DE

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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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 12, 2007

ZEBRA TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction

000-19406 (Commission

36-2675536 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

333 Corporate Woods Parkway, Vernon Hills, Illinois

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

60061 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 847-634-6700

(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 240.13c-4(c))

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

(e)

New Employment Agreement for Hugh K. Gagnier

On December 12, 2007, the Company entered into an employment agreement (the Employment Agreement) with Hugh K. Gagnier, who was identified as a named executive officer in the Company s Definitive Proxy Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 24, 2007. The Employment Agreement supersedes all previous employment agreements, severance agreements, separation agreements and other arrangements between the Company and Mr. Gagnier with respect to the subject matter of the Employment Agreement.

Under the Employment Agreement, Mr. Gagnier is currently entitled to an annual base salary of \$324,900 and a targeted annual cash bonus in an amount equal to forty-five percent (45%) of his annual base salary. Mr. Gagnier s annual base salary and targeted bonus under the Employment Agreement are the same as were in effect prior to the execution of the Employment Agreement. Mr. Gagnier s annual base salary and targeted bonus were established by the Compensation Committee in April 2007 in accordance with the Compensation Committee s annual review of the Company s executive officers compensation structures and amounts and were not changed by the Employment Agreement. Mr. Gagnier s annual base salary will be reviewed at least annually, and may be increased or decreased from time to time by the Company. However, if his annual base salary as in effect on the date of the Employment Agreement is decreased in an amount equal to or greater than ten percent (10%) (unless such decrease is applied on a proportionally equal basis to all executive officers of the Company), then he will have fifteen days to terminate his employment, in which case such termination will be for good reason under the Employment Agreement.

Mr. Gagnier s targeted bonus is payable upon the attainment of certain performance measures and in accordance with the Company s annual bonus plan for the relevant fiscal year. Each year, the Compensation Committee determines the Company s annual bonus plan, including the performance measures and each executive officer s performance goals, in connection with its annual review of the executive officers respective compensation structures and amounts. Mr. Gagnier will also be eligible to receive various equity grants as determined in the sole discretion of the Company s Compensation Committee.

Mr. Gagnier s employment under the Employment Agreement is terminable at any time, subject to certain severance obligations as described below. The Employment Agreement provides that if he terminates his employment with good reason or the Company terminates his employment without cause and under circumstances other than death or disability as provided in the Employment Agreement, he will be entitled to (i) the continuation of his base salary at the rate then in effect for a period of one year, (ii) a pro-rata portion of his annual performance bonus (the Bonus) for the year in which his employment terminates, if it otherwise would have been earned if he was employed as of the date the annual performance bonuses for such year are paid to senior level executives of the Company, and any such pro-rata portion will be payable at the time annual performance bonuses for such year are paid to senior level executives of the Company, (iii) if not yet paid, any Bonus attributable to the year immediately preceding the year of the employment termination, if it otherwise would have been earned if he was employed as of the date the annual performance bonuses for such year are paid to senior level executives of the Company, and any such Bonus will be payable at the time annual performance bonuses for such year are paid to senior level executives of the Company, (iv) 100% of his targeted bonus for the year in which his employment terminates, (v) outplacement services not to exceed \$32,000, and (vi) the continuation of coverage under the Company pays for health insurance plans, as mandated by COBRA, with the Company paying for such coverage at the same rate the Company pays for health insurance coverage for its active employees under its group health plan and Mr. Gagnier paying for any employee-paid portion of such coverage, until the earlier of (a) one year after the date of termination, or (b) Mr. Gagnier becoming eligible for coverage under another group health plan that does not impose preexisting condition limitations on Mr

In addition, the Employment Agreement provides that if Mr. Gagnier terminates his employment with good reason or the Company terminates his employment without cause, and such termination of employment occurs within 120 days immediately preceding or one year immediately following a change in control (as defined under the 2006 Zebra Technologies Corporation Incentive Compensation Plan, and subject to the definition of a change in control under

Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended), then instead of receiving continuation of base salary for one year and payment of 100% of his targeted bonus for the year of employment termination, he will receive a severance payment equal to two times his base salary plus two times his targeted bonus for the year of employment termination and such severance payment will be paid within sixty days following the later of the change in control or the termination.

Under the Employment Agreement, if payments to Mr. Gagnier upon a change in control exceed the applicable threshold under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), and an excise tax becomes due thereunder, Mr. Gagnier will be entitled to receive an additional payment so that, after payment by him of all applicable taxes and excise taxes, he retains an amount equal to the amount he would have retained had no excise tax been imposed; provided, however, that if the applicable threshold under Section 4999 of the Code is exceeded by ten percent (10%) or less, the total payments he would be entitled to receive following a change in control will be reduced so that they are \$1.00 less than such applicable threshold.

Mr. Gagnier s Employment Agreement further provides that he will be bound by non-competition and non-solicitation provisions for a period of two years following his termination and by confidentiality provisions at all times during and after the term of the Employment Agreement. It also obligates the Company to maintain directors and officers liability insurance coverage for him and to indemnify him to the extent permitted under the Company s By-Laws and/or Certificate of Incorporation.

The above description of the Employment Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)

Exhibit

Number Description of Exhibits

10.1 Employment Agreement by and between Hugh K. Gagnier and the Company dated December 12, 2007.

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.

ZEBRA TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

By: /s/ Anders Gustafsson Anders Gustafsson

Date: December 14, 2007

Chief Executive Officer

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