

AMERICAN SUPERCONDUCTOR CORP /DE/  
Form 8-K  
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**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): July 29, 2016**

**American Superconductor Corporation**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**  
**of incorporation)**

**000-19672**  
**(Commission**  
**File Number)**

**04-2959321**  
**(IRS Employer**  
**Identification No.)**

**64 Jackson Road**

**01434**

**Devens, Massachusetts**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)** **(Zip Code)**  
**Registrant's telephone number, including area code (978) 842-3000**

**Not Applicable**

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

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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.**

*(e) Amendments to 2007 Stock Incentive Plan and Amended and Restated 2007 Director Stock Plan.* On July 29, 2016, American Superconductor Corporation (the Company ) held its Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Annual Meeting ) at which the Company's stockholders approved amendments to the Company's 2007 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended (the 2007 Plan ), and Amended and Restated 2007 Director Stock Plan (the 2007 Director Plan ).

*2007 Plan*

At the Annual Meeting, the Company's stockholders approved the following amendments to the 2007 Plan:

an increase in the total number of shares of common stock authorized for issuance under the 2007 Plan from 2,050,000 shares to 3,400,000 shares; and

an increase the maximum number of shares issuable to any person in any calendar year from 100,000 shares to 250,000 shares.

In addition, the Company's stockholders approved the material terms of performance goals that may apply to awards granted under the 2007 Plan for purposes of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The foregoing amendments to the 2007 Plan had been approved by the Board of Directors of the Company on June 14, 2016, subject to and effective upon stockholder approval.

The foregoing description of the amendments does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the 2007 Plan, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 10.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

*2007 Director Plan*

At the Annual Meeting, the Company's stockholders approved the following amendments to the 2007 Director Plan:

an increase in the total number of shares of common stock authorized for issuance under the 2007 Director Plan from 80,000 shares to 230,000 shares; and

a decrease in the maximum value of equity awards granted to any director in any fiscal year from \$1,000,000 to \$500,000.

The foregoing amendments to the 2007 Director Plan had been approved by the Board of Directors of the Company on June 14, 2016, subject to and effective upon stockholder approval.

The foregoing description of the amendments does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the 2007 Director Plan, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 10.2 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.**

On July 29, 2016, the Company held its Annual Meeting at which the Company's stockholders took the following actions:

1. The Company's stockholders elected the following directors to its board:

<b>DIRECTOR</b>	<b>VOTES FOR</b>	<b>VOTES WITHHELD</b>
Vikram S. Budhraja	4,597,226	890,027
Pamela F. Lenehan	5,359,082	128,171
Daniel P. McGahn	5,358,564	128,689
David R. Oliver, Jr.	5,281,246	206,007
John B. Vander Sande	4,441,791	1,045,462
John W. Wood, Jr.	4,602,194	885,059

There were 4,733,487 broker non-votes for each director.

2. The Company's stockholders voted to approve amendments to the Company's 2007 Plan to add 1,350,000 shares to the total number of shares available for issuance under the plan and to increase the maximum number of shares issuable to any person in any calendar year to 250,000 by a vote of 4,653,532 shares of common stock for, 795,855 shares of common stock against and 37,866 shares of common stock abstaining. There were 4,733,487 broker non-votes on this matter.

3. The Company's stockholders voted to approve amendments to the Company's 2007 Director Plan to add 150,000 shares to the total number of shares available for issuance under the plan and to decrease the maximum value of equity awards granted to any director in any fiscal year to \$500,000 by a vote of 5,126,045 shares of common stock for, 320,288 shares of common stock against and 40,920 shares of common stock abstaining. There were 4,733,487 broker non-votes on this matter.

4. The Company's stockholders voted to approve an amendment to the Company's 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan to add 300,000 shares to the total number of shares available for issuance under the plan by a vote of 5,188,879 shares of common stock for, 275,482 shares of common stock against and 22,892 shares of common stock abstaining. There were 4,733,487 broker non-votes on this matter.

5. The Company's stockholders voted to ratify the selection by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of RSM US LLP (f/k/a McGladrey LLP) as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the current fiscal year by a vote of 9,954,404 shares of common stock for, 92,772 shares of common stock against and 173,564 shares of common stock abstaining.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits:

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
10.1	2007 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended.
10.2	Amended and Restated 2007 Director Stock Plan.

**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: August 2, 2016

By: /s/ David A. Henry  
David A. Henry  
*Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*

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