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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) April 3, 2014

PHOTRONICS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Connecticut0-1545106-0854886(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File Number)(IRS Employer Identification Number)

15 Secor Road, Brookfield, CT 06804 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, including area code (203) 775-9000

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

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ITEM 8.01 Other Events.

On April 3, 2014, Photronics, Inc. issued a press release announcing the successful closing of the previously announced joint venture with Dai Nippon Printing Co., Ltd. (DNP). The joint venture, Photronics DNP Mask Corporation (PDMC), will focus on serving semiconductor manufacturers in Taiwan. The closing followed regulatory approvals received from Taiwan authorities on March 28, 2014. The joint venture was effective as 12:00 a.m., Taiwan time, April 4, 2014.

The non-cash transaction merged DNP Photomask Technology Taiwan Co., Ltd. (DPTT), a wholly owned subsidiary of DNP, into Photronics Semiconductor Mask Corporation (PSMC), a wholly owned subsidiary of Photronics. Photronics and DNP own 50.01% and 49.99%, respectively, and the financial statements will be included in the consolidated financial statements of Photronics.

A copy of the press release is attached to this 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated April 3, 2014.

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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.

PHOTRONICS, INC.

(Registrant)

DATE: April 9, 2014 BY /s/ Richelle E. Burr

Richelle E. Burr

Vice President, General Counsel

PHOTRONICS, INC.