SUNTRON CORP Form 8-K May 12, 2005

### 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

May 6, 2005 (Date of earliest event reported)

#### SUNTRON CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

#### **DELAWARE**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-49651 86-1038668

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

#### 2401 WEST GRANDVIEW ROAD PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85023

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

#### (602) 789-6600

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR

240.13e-4(c))				

#### Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

The disclosure set forth below under Item 5.02 is hereby incorporated by reference.

# Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

Effective May 6, 2005, James K. Bass resigned as President and Chief Executive Officer and as a member of the Board of Directors of Suntron Corporation (the Company) and its subsidiaries. Hargopal (Paul) Singh was concurrently promoted to President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company and will be named to the Board of Directors. Mr. Singh previously served as Vice President of Operations at the Company s largest facility located in Sugar Land, Texas. In addition, Michael Eblin resigned as Chief Operating Officer on May 6, 2005. A copy of the Company s press release announcing the management changes is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Effective as of May 6, 2005, the Company and Mr. Singh entered into an employment agreement. Under the Employment Agreement, Mr. Singh has agreed to serve as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company for an initial term expiring December 31, 2006, which initial term shall be automatically renewed for additional one-year terms unless timely notice of non-renewal is given by either the Company or Mr. Singh. The Employment Agreement provides that Mr. Singh will receive a base salary of \$300,000, which may be increased from time to time at the discretion of the Company s Board of Directors. In addition, the Employment Agreement provides that Mr. Singh is entitled to receive bonus compensation based on the Company s attainment of performance goals, including EBITDA and other goals determined from time to time by the Compensation Committee or the Board of Directors of the Company. Mr. Singh also received an initial award of options to purchase up to 700,000 shares of the Company s common stock (the Options ) at an exercise price equal to the closing sale price of the Company s stock on May 6, 2005. The Options will vest 25% on each anniversary of the grant date, beginning on May 6, 2006, subject to acceleration in the event of a change of control (as defined in the Employment Agreement).

The Employment Agreement further provides that, in the event of termination of Mr. Singh s employment with the Company, the Company will pay to Mr. Singh one-year s base salary and pro-rated bonus through the date of termination if he is terminated by the Board for cause (as defined in the Employment Agreement) or if he terminates his employment with good reason (as defined in the Employment Agreement). If Mr. Singh s employment is terminated by the Company for cause or by Mr. Singh for good reason within six months prior to a change of control or within one year after a change of control, the Company will pay to Mr. Singh a bonus to the extent that the value of the Options is less \$600,000 at the time of termination. Such bonus, if any, will be equal to the difference between \$600,000 and the value of the Options. The Employment Agreement also includes certain restrictive covenants which limit Mr. Singh s ability to compete with the Company or divulge certain confidential information concerning the Company.

There were no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Singh and any other persons pursuant to which Mr. Singh was selected as an officer or a director of the Company. None of the Company s current directors or executive officers has a family relationship with Mr. Singh.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired. Not applicable.

(b)

*Pro Forma Financial Information.* Not applicable.

(c) Exhibits.

Number Exhibits

99.1 Press Release from the registrant, dated May 10, 2005.

#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

SUNTRON CORPORATION

Date: May 12, 2005 By: /s/ Peter W. Harper

Peter W. Harper

Chief Financial Officer

## **EXHIBIT INDEX**

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