

RESPIRONICS INC
Form 8-K
August 04, 2005

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):

August 1, 2005

Respironics, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

000-16723

25-1304989

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

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

1010 Murry Ridge Lane, Murrysville,
Pennsylvania

15668-8525

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

724-387-5200

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:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 2, 2005, Respironics, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the appointment of Derek Smith as President of the Hospital Group. In connection with Mr. Smith's appointment, he and the Company entered into an employment agreement effective August 1, 2005 for a one-year term that shall automatically be extended each additional year unless otherwise terminated by the Company or Mr. Smith. The Company will compensate Mr. Smith a base annual salary of \$295,000. At all times during his employment term, Mr. Smith shall also have the right to participate in and receive benefits under and in accordance with the then-current provisions of all incentive, profit-sharing, retirement, stock option or purchase plans, life, health and accident insurance, hospitalization, and other incentive and benefit plans or programs. Mr. Smith will be eligible for an annual bonus that is not more than 50% of his base salary during the 2006 fiscal year.

Mr. Smith has extensive senior management experience in patient monitoring, ventilation and critical care both domestically and internationally. Throughout his 26 year career, Mr. Smith has held positions of increasing responsibility with various companies.

Most recently, Mr. Smith served as Senior Vice President of Operations and Technology Development for McKesson Health Solutions ("McKesson"). In this role he was responsible for all operations and technology development for McKesson's disease management and triage services as well as its Medical Management Software Products. In 1999, Mr. Smith joined McKesson's Access Health business unit where he served as Senior Vice President and General Manager.

Prior to McKesson, Mr. Smith spent 15 years with Datex-Ohmeda, Inc. in positions of increasing responsibility including several general management assignments, focusing on patient monitoring and critical care ventilation. His management experience spans all functional areas including marketing, sales, service, research and development, quality and regulatory affairs.

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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.

Respironics, Inc.

August 1, 2005

By: */s/ Daniel J. Bevevino*

*Name: Daniel J. Bevevino
Title: Vice President, and Chief Financial and Principal
Accounting Officer*