

PHOTRONICS INC  
Form 8-K  
January 06, 2006

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant To Section 13 OR 15(d) Of The Securities Exchange Act Of 1934**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) January 3, 2006

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**PHOTRONICS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Connecticut**  
(State or other jurisdiction)

of incorporation)

**15 Secor Road, Brookfield, CT**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**0-15451**  
(Commission File Number)

**06-0854886**  
(IRS Employer

Identification Number)

**06804**  
(Zip Code)

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

(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))
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**Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement**

On January 3, 2006, a restricted stock award of 4,000 shares was made to each of the Photronics, Inc. s non-employee directors pursuant to the terms and conditions of Photronics, Inc. s 1996 Stock Plan, as amended on March 13, 2003 (filed as Exhibit 10.13 to Photronics, Inc. Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended October 31, 2004); and the Form of Restricted Stock Award Agreement pursuant to the Photronics, Inc. 1996 Stock Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1. The restricted stock award vests quarterly (25%) over a one-year period.

On January 3, 2006, a restricted stock award of 30,000 shares was made to the Chief Executive Officer of Photronics, Inc. pursuant to the terms and conditions of Photronics, Inc. s 1996 Stock Plan, as amended on March 13, 2003 (filed as Exhibit 10.13 to Photronics, Inc. Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended October 31, 2004); and the Form of Restricted Stock Award Agreement pursuant to the Photronics, Inc. 1996 Stock Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1. The restricted stock award vests yearly (33 1/3%) over a three-year period.

On January 5, 2006 each of the non-employee directors and the Chief Executive Officer receiving the restricted stock awards as described above filed individual Form 4 s with the SEC.

**Exhibit No.**

10.1 Form of Photronics, Inc. Restricted Stock Award Agreement pursuant to the Photronics, Inc. 1996 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.

**PHOTRONICS, INC.**  
(Registrant)

**DATE January 5, 2006**

**BY** /s/ Edwin L. Lewis

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Edwin L. Lewis  
Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

PHOTRONICS, INC.

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b><u>EXHIBIT NO.</u></b>	<b><u>DESCRIPTION</u></b>
EXHIBIT NO. 10.1	Form of Photronics, Inc. Restricted Stock Award Agreement pursuant to Photronics, Inc. 1996 Stock Plan.