

HELIX TECHNOLOGY CORP  
Form 8-K  
February 03, 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

January 31, 2005

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported)

**HELIX TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

0-6866

(Commission File Number)

04-2423640

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

Mansfield Corporate Center

Nine Hampshire Street

Mansfield, Massachusetts

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

02048-9171

(Zip Code)

(508) 337-5500

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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))

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

(b) On February 3, 2005, Helix Technology Corporation (the "Company") announced that Jay Zager, the Company's principal financial officer and principal accounting officer, has decided to resign, effective February 28, 2005, in order to pursue another career opportunity. Until that time, Mr. Zager will continue as Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and assist in transition matters. Mr. Zager made his decision known to the Company on January 31, 2005.

(c) Effective February 28, 2005, Paul Kawa, the Company's current Corporate Controller, will serve as the Interim Chief Financial Officer.

The Company's press release dated February 3, 2005, is attached herewith and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated February 3, 2005.

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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.

Date: February 3, 2005

By: /s/James Gentilcore

James Gentilcore  
President and  
Chief Executive Officer