MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC Form 8-K July 20, 2006

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): July 19, 2006

MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-14130 (Commission File Number) 11-3289165 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

75 Maxess Road, Melville, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

11747 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (516) 812-2000

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N/A

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

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Item 1.02. Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

On July 20, 2006, MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc. (the Company) announced the restructuring of the management team of J&L America, Inc. (J & L), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company acquired by it on June 8, 2006. As part of the restructuring, Michael Wessner, President of J&L, will be leaving the Company effective at the end of the Company s fiscal year, and Mr. Nicholas Darin (Chief Financial Officer of J&L) and Mr. Charles Moyer (Vice President, Marketing and Strategy of J&L) will be leaving the Company this week. The responsibilities of Messrs. Wessner, Darin and Moyer will be transitioned to the MSC executive management team.

Mr. Wessner s employment agreement with J&L, dated as of March 13, 2006 (the Agreement), was filed as an Exhibit to the Company s Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 6, 2006, and is hereby incorporated by reference herein. Mr. Wessner will receive an aggregate of \$798,060.77 severance as provided under the Agreement.

In connection with the departure of these executives, the Company will recognize a one time after tax charge of \$1.2 million (\$0.02 per diluted share) in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2006.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit Press release, dated July 20, 2006. 99.1.

Exhibit 99.2 Employment Agreement, dated as of March 13, 2006, between Michael Wessner and J&L America, Inc.*

* Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Registrant s Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 6, 2006.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc.

Date: July 20, 2006 /s/ Shelley M. Boxer By:

Name: Shelley M. Boxer

Title: Vice President, Finance

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