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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 23, 2015**

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**Applied Materials, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**000-06920**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**94-1655526**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**3050 Bowers Avenue**  
**P.O. Box 58039**  
**Santa Clara, CA**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**95052-8039**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (408) 727-5555**

**N/A**  
(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 8.01. Other Events.**

Applied Materials, Inc. and Tokyo Electron Limited are actively engaged with regulators around the world to secure approval of our proposed business combination. In the event that we are unable to conclude discussions with the Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) of the People's Republic of China prior to the scheduled end of the current review phase on or about February 3, 2015, we anticipate that we will be able to continue discussions beyond such date in coordination with the remaining reviews in other jurisdictions.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements, including but not limited to those regarding the proposed business combination between Applied Materials, Inc. ("Applied Materials"), and Tokyo Electron Limited ("Tokyo Electron") (the "Business Combination") and the transactions related thereto. These statements may discuss the anticipated manner, terms and conditions upon which the Business Combination will be consummated. Forward-looking statements may contain words such as "expect," "believe," "may," "can," "should," "will," "forecast," "anticipate" or similar expressions, and include the assumptions that underlie such statements. These statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such statements, including but not limited to: the ability of the parties to consummate the Business Combination in a timely manner or at all; satisfaction of the conditions precedent to consummation of the Business Combination, including the ability to secure regulatory approvals in a timely manner or at all; the possibility of litigation (including related to the transaction itself); Applied Materials' and Tokyo Electron's ability to successfully integrate their operations, product lines, technology and employees and realize synergies, growth and tax assets from the Business Combination; unknown, underestimated or undisclosed commitments or liabilities; the potential impact of the announcement or consummation of the proposed transactions on the parties' relationships with third parties; the level of demand for the combined companies' products, which is subject to many factors, including uncertain global economic and industry conditions, demand for electronic products and semiconductors, and customers' new technology and capacity requirements; Applied Materials' and Tokyo Electron's ability to (i) develop, deliver and support a broad range of products, expand their markets and develop new markets, (ii) timely align their cost structures with business conditions, and (iii) attract, motivate and retain key employees; and other risks described in the Applied Materials' filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. All forward-looking statements are based on management's estimates, projections and assumptions as of the date hereof. Except as required under applicable law, Applied Materials undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements.

**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.

Dated: January 23, 2015

Applied Materials, Inc.  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Thomas F. Larkins  
Thomas F. Larkins  
Senior Vice President, General Counsel  
and Corporate Secretary