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Form 8-K  
February 25, 2005

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): February 25, 2005

THE L.S. STARRETT COMPANY  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts	1-367	04-1866480
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

121 CRESCENT STREET, ATHOL, MASSACHUSETTS 01331  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number: 978-249-3551

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

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

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### Appointment of Principal Officers.

The L.S. Starrett Company (the "Company") is conducting a search for a new Chief Financial Officer (CFO) to replace Roger Wellington, Jr., the Company's CFO since 1984, who has announced his intention to retire in June 2005. The search is expected to be completed prior to that time. Mr. Wellington is also a director of the Company and intends to retire from the Board of Directors at that same time.

### SIGNATURE

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.

THE L.S. STARRETT COMPANY

Date: February 25, 2005

By: s/ ROGER U. WELLINGTON, JR.  
Name: Roger U. Wellington, Jr.  
Title: Vice President, Treasurer and  
Chief Financial Officer