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): September 12, 2016

ASTRONICS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York 0-7087 16-0959303

(State of Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

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

130 Commerce Way East Aurora, New York

14052

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (716) 805-1599

N/A

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

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Item 8.01 Other Events

Mark Peabody, Executive Vice President of Astronics Corporation (the "Company") and President of the Company's subsidiary, Astronics Advanced Electronic Systems Corp., has determined to monetize a portion of his equity position in the Company's common stock in a systematic, non-discretionary manner with minimal market impact and in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Accordingly, pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, Mr. Peabody adopted a written plan on September 12, 2016 relating to future sales of the Company's common stock. Mr. Peabody's plan will begin on November 18, 2016 and will continue until September 22, 2017, unless sooner terminated. Under Mr. Peabody's plan, he will place an order to sell 1,000 shares of the Company's common stock on the open market and at prevailing market prices, subject to a price floor, beginning November 18, 2016 and on Friday of every other following week through September 22, 2017. In the event that the prevailing market price on a designated order date exceeds a certain price, the number of shares sold will be increased to 2,000 for such date. The maximum number of shares to be sold pursuant to the plan is 18,522 shares of the Company's common stock.

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.

Astronics Corporation

Dated: September 12, 2016 By: /s/ David C. Burney

Name: David C. Burney

Executive Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer