

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): November 12, 1998

LAM RESEARCH CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE	000-12933	94-2634797
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

4650 CUSHING PARKWAY, FREMONT, CALIFORNIA 94538  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(510) 659-0200  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report.)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On November 12, 1998, Lam Research Corporation (the "Company") announced a reduction in its workforce and that it will record a restructuring charge against financial results for the quarter ending December 31, 1998. Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 is the Company's press release, dated November 12, 1998.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Lam Research Corporation Press Release, dated November 12, 1998.

SIGNATURES

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.

DATED: November 13, 1998

LAM RESEARCH CORPORATION

By: /s/ Richard H. Lovgren

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Name: Richard H. Lovgren

Title: Vice President, Secretary  
and General Counsel

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Exhibit No. -----	Description -----
99.1	Lam Research Corporation Press Release dated November 12, 1998.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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LAM RESEARCH CORPORATION ANNOUNCES REDUCTION IN WORK FORCE

FREMONT, Calif., November 12, 1998--Lam Research Corporation (Nasdaq: LRCX), a leading supplier of wafer fabrication equipment to the worldwide semiconductor industry, today announced that it has reduced its work force by approximately 500 employees. These reductions, which primarily affect manufacturing and corporate support activities, are part of the company's previously disclosed plans to evaluate its cost structure and employment levels. The company will record a restructuring charge against financial results for the quarter ending December 31, 1998.

"We will continue to preserve key research and development programs, customer support activities and fund our strategic priorities in order to take advantage of market opportunities," stated James W. Bagley, Lam's chairman and chief executive officer.

"Safe Harbor" Statement under the private Securities Litigation Act of 1995: Except for historical information, this press release contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which statements are subject to the Safe Harbor provisions created thereunder. Such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements that relate to the company's future revenue and operating expenses, management's plans and objectives for future operations, the effect of any contemplated consolidation or restructuring of operations on the company's future profitability, and a continued downturn in the semiconductor market. Such statements are based on current expectations that may involve other risks detailed from time to time in the company's SEC reports, including the report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 1998 and the Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1998. The company assumes no obligation to update the information in this release.

Lam Research Corporation is a leading supplier of wafer fabrication equipment and services to the world's semiconductor industry. Lam's headquarters are located in Fremont, California. The company's common stock trades on the Nasdaq National Securities Market under the symbol "LRCX." Lam's World Wide Web address is "<http://www.lamrc.com>."