

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: March 23, 2004
(Date of earliest event reported)

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

0-27275

04-3432319

(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

8 Cambridge Center, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 444-3000

Item 5. Other Events.

On March 23, 2004, Akamai Technologies, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release in which the Company announced that Michael Ruffolo had resigned as its Chief Operating Officer and was leaving the Company. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 7. Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated March 23, 2004 issued by Akamai Technologies, Inc.

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: March 23, 2004

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

/s/ Melanie Haratunian

Melanie Haratunian
Vice President and General Counsel

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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AKAMAI ANNOUNCES MANAGEMENT CHANGE

CAMBRIDGE, MA – March 23, 2004 – Akamai Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: AKAM), the global leader in distributed computing solutions and services, today announced that Michael A. Ruffolo, the company’s Chief Operating Officer, will be leaving Akamai, effective April 9th. No replacement will be named, and members of Akamai’s senior management team, including George H. Conrades, Chairman and CEO, Paul Sagan, President, and Robert Hughes, Vice President of Global Sales and Services, will assume Ruffolo’s responsibilities.

In addition to remaining very active on technology company boards, Ruffolo will focus on investing in early stage companies and provide consulting for companies that need turnaround and restructuring expertise.

“While we are sorry to see Mike go, we are deeply grateful for his strong leadership and operational skills during a very critical business transformation at Akamai,” Conrades said. “Akamai is well-positioned for success and we appreciate Mike’s many contributions. We wish him well in his new endeavors and thank him for helping establish Akamai as a market-driven, technology leader.”

“Akamai is a strong company getting stronger every day,” Ruffolo said. “I am proud of our tremendous progress over the past three years and leave confident about the company’s future prospects.”

About Akamai

Akamai® is the global leader in distributed computing solutions and services, making the Internet predictable, scalable, and secure for conducting profitable e-business. The Akamai on demand platform enables customers to easily extend their Web operations – with full control – anywhere, anytime, without the cost of building out infrastructure. Headquartered in Cambridge, Massachusetts, Akamai serves hundreds of today’s most successful enterprises and government agencies around the globe. Akamai is *The Business Internet*. For more information, visit www.akamai.com.

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