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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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) January 7, 2005 ENGINEERED SUPPORT SYSTEMS, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter) MISSOURI 0-13880 43-1313242 (State of Incorporation) (Commission File No.) (IRS Employer Identification No.) 201 Evans Lane, St. Louis, Missouri 63121 (Address of principal executive officer) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number including area code: (314) 553-4000 Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions: [] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

- [] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
- Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.
 - On January 7, 2005 Engineered Support Systems, Inc. (the

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Company) announced that it had acquired Prospective Computer Analysts Incorporated (PCA), a Garden City, New York based designer and provider of proprietary electronic test equipment, software and engineering services to primarily military customers throughout the world. The all cash deal includes the purchase of the outstanding equity of PCA for \$37.6 million, subject to certain post-closing adjustments.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) The following exhibit is filed as part of this report:

Exhibit Number Description

99 Press Release dated January 7, 2005, issued by Engineered Support Systems, 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.

ENGINEERED SUPPORT SYSTEMS, INC.

Date: January 7, 2005 BY: /s/ Gary C. Gerhardt

Gary C. Gerhardt Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer

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