

CAMBREX CORP  
Form 8-K  
August 01, 2008

**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)

August 1, 2008

**CAMBREX CORPORATION**  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

1-10638  
(Commission File Number)

22-2476135  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

ONE MEADOWLANDS PLAZA, EAST RUTHERFORD, NEW JERSEY  
(Address of principal executive offices)

07073  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(201) 804-3000

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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management**

**Item 5.02(e) Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers**

Cambrex Corporation (Cambrex or the Company) is reporting under Item 5.02(e) that on July 28, 2008 the Board of Directors of Cambrex upon recommendation of the Compensation Committee of the Board approved an amendment to the Company's Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan (SERP) covering certain officers, including the Company's principal executive officer and certain named executive officers (Participants). The American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 (Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code) requires that payments pursuant to a non-qualified, supplemental retirement plan be delinked from payments under a qualified pension plan. The Cambrex Board of Directors, on the recommendation of its Compensation Committee, at a meeting held on July 28, 2008, amended the Cambrex SERP (see Cambrex Proxy Statement in connection with the Company's 2008 Annual Meeting of Shareholders), such amendment being effective on December 31, 2008, to provide that payments to Participants in the SERP, including named executive officers James A. Mack, Steven M. Klosk and Peter E. Thauer, shall be made in ten approximately equal installments starting in 2009 and continuing for the next nine years. Additional service accruals under the Company's qualified pension plan and SERP were suspended on August 31, 2007. Payments to participants not including any Named Executive Officer with an account balance of less than \$10,000 shall be cashed out in full in early 2009. An additional amendment to the SERP provides that on a change in control of the Company any remaining account balance shall be immediately be paid to the participant. The amendment will not have a significant impact on the Company's operating results or cash flows in the current or future years.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**CAMBREX CORPORATION**

Date: August 1, 2008

By: /s/ Peter E. Thauer  
Name: Peter E. Thauer  
Title: Senior Vice President, General  
Counsel and Corporate Secretary