

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On October 12, 2018, Photronics, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$25 million of the Company's common stock. This is in addition to the \$20 million share repurchase program that was authorized in July of this year and is now substantially complete. The purchases will occur in open market transactions from time to time depending on market conditions or in accordance with a repurchase plan under SEC Rule 10b5-1.

The authorization does not obligate the Company to repurchase any dollar amount or number of shares of common stock. The repurchase program may be suspended or discontinued at any time.

A copy of the Company’s press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated October 12, 2018.

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.

PHOTRONICS, INC.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Richelle E. Burr

Name: Richelle E. Burr

Title: Vice President, General Counsel and
Secretary

Date: October 12, 2018
