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ARI NETWORK SERVICES INC /WI Form 8-K December 12, 2014

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): December 9, 2014

ARI NETWORK SERVICES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Wisconsin0-1960839-1388360(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission (IRS Employer Identification No.)

10850 West Park Place, Suite 1200

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

(Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (414) 973-4300

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02.

<u>Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors;</u>
<u>Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.</u>

On December 9, 2014, James R. Johnson resigned from the Board of Directors of ARI Network Services, Inc. (the Company), effective immediately. Mr. Johnson was also a member of the Company s Audit Committee. In recognition of his service, the Company determined to accelerate the vesting of all of Mr. Johnson s unvested restricted stock awards, to vest immediately upon his resignation. Mr. Johnson s resignation was not due to any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to its operations, policies or practices.

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.

Date: December 12, 2014

ARI NETWORK SERVICES, INC.

By:

/s/ William A. Nurthen

William A. Nurthen

Chief Financial Officer

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