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## 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) September 29, 2005 (September 28, 2005)

#### AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware000-2424887-0361799(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)(Commission File Number)(IRS Employer Identification No.)

13114 Evening Creek Drive South, San Diego, 92128 California

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (858) 679-2114

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- o 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 September 28, 2005, the compensation committee of our board of directors approved the commission plan for Mr. Bruce Gray pursuant to the terms of Mr. Gray's employment letter with the Company dated March 21, 2005. The commission plan governs the payment of Mr. Gray's annual sales bonus for the twelve-month period beginning April 1, 2005.

The commission plan entitles Mr. Gray to commissions payable based on invoiced net sales on a quarterly basis, calculated as a percentage of quarterly revenue targets for our commercial products group. The plan provides for a target commission for the twelve-month period of \$100,000, but commissions may exceed such amount if our invoiced net sales exceed our revenue plan.

## **Item 8.01 Other Events**

On September 28, 2005, the Securities and Exchange Commission declared effective our resale registration statement on Form S-3 filed in August 2005. We filed this registration statement pursuant to a registration rights agreement entered into in July 2005 in connection with the private placement of common stock and warrants to selected institutional investors. The registration statement also registers shares held by other investors pursuant to other registration obligations or agreements with those investors. Our company will not receive any proceeds from sales of common stock by the selling stockholders.

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## **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.

## AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION

Date: September 29, 2005 By: <u>/s/ MICHAEL A. RUSSELL</u>

Michael A. Russell Chief Financial Officer