Registration No. 333-163991

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

NETLIST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

95-4812784 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

51 Discovery, Suite 150 Irvine, CA 92618 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

> 2009 Employment Inducement Award (Full title of the plan)

Chun K. Hong President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board 51 Discovery, Suite 150, Irvine, CA 92618 (Name and address of agent for service)

(949) 435-0025

(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer \Box

Accelerated filer \Box

Non-accelerated filer □ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company \boxtimes

EXPLANATORY NOTE/DEREGISTRATION OF UNSOLD SECURITIES

Netlist, Inc. (the "Registrant") is filing this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-8 Registration Statement to deregister the shares of its common stock, par value \$0.001 per share ("Common Stock"), originally registered by the Registrant pursuant to its Registration Statement on Form S-8 (No. 333-163991) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 23, 2009 (the "Registration Statement"). The Registration Statement registered 50,000 shares of Common Stock to be issued pursuant to a Stock Option Agreement dated December 16, 2009 between the Registrant and John Smolka (the "Agreement").

The shares of Common Stock included in the Registration Statement are no longer issuable pursuant to the Agreement. Therefore, in accordance with an undertaking made by the Registrant in the Registration Statement to remove from registration, by means of a post-effective amendment, the securities registered under the Registration Statement that have not been sold, the Registrant hereby amends the Registration Statement to deregister the 50,000 shares of Common Stock registered and unsold under the Registration Statement.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Irvine, State of California, on this 21 st day of April, 2011.

NETLIST, INC.

By: /s/ Chun K. Hong

Chun K. Hong President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title(s)	Date
/s/ Chun K. Hong Chun K. Hong	President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board (Principal Executive Officer)	April 21, 2011
/s/ Gail Sasaki Gail Sasaki	Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	April 21, 2011
/s/ Richard J. Char Richard J. Char	Director	April 21, 2011
/s/ Nam Ki Hong Nam Ki Hong	Director	April 21, 2011
/s/ Thomas F. Lagatta Thomas F. Lagatta	Director	April 21, 2011
/s/ Alan H. Portnoy Alan H. Portnoy	Director	April 21, 2011
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INDEX TO EXHIBITS

*23.1 Consent of KMJ Corbin & Company LLP.

* Filed herewith

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the use in this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement No. 333-163991 on Form S-8 of our report dated March 3, 2011, relating to the consolidated financial statements of Netlist, Inc. and subsidiaries as of January 1, 2011 and January 2, 2010 and for each of the years then ended, which report is included in Netlist, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 1, 2011.

/s/ KMJ Corbin & Company LLP KMJ Corbin & Company LLP

Costa Mesa, California April 21, 2011