

**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): May 3, 2012

Tegal Corporation

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (state or other jurisdiction) 000-26824

(Commission File Number)

I.R.S. Employer Identification No. 68-0370244

140 2nd Street Suite 318

Petaluma, CA 94952

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(707) 763-5600

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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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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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On May 3, 2012, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Tegal Corporation (the “Company”), approved discretionary bonuses for the following executive officers:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount of Bonus</u>
Thomas Mika	President, Chief Executive Officer	\$ 125,000
Christine Hergenrother	Vice President, Chief Financial Officer	\$ 75,000

SIGNATURES

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

Date: May 9, 2012

TEGAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Christine Hergenrother

Name: Christine Hergenrother

Title: Vice President & Chief Financial Officer