AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP Form 8-K October 19, 2009

# 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): October 19, 2009 (October 15, 2009)

# **Ampal-American Israel Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**0-538** (Commission File Number)

13-0435685 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

555 Madison Avenue New York, NY, USA (Address of principal executive offices)

**10022** (Zip Code)

#### (866) 447-8636

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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Item 5.02 <u>Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.</u>

(b) On October 15, 2009, Eitan Haber notified Ampal-American Israel Corporation (the Company ) that he will not be standing for re-election to the Board of Directors of the Company at the annual meeting of shareholders of the Company to be held on November 9, 2009 (the 2009 Annual Meeting ), but will serve the remainder of his term which will expire on the date of the 2009 Annual Meeting. To the knowledge of the executive officers of the Company, Mr. Haber s decision not to stand for re-election is not due to any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company s operations, policies or practices.

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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.

AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORPORATION

Date: October 19, 2009 By: /s/ Yoram Firon

Yoram Firon Vice President - Investments and Corporate Affairs

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