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ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC Form 8-K December 17, 2010

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 13, 2010 ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 94-1658138

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Commission File Number: 001-10212 2301 Patriot Blvd. Glenview, Illinois 60026 (224) 521-8000

(Address and telephone number of principal executive offices)

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On December 13, 2010, an arbitration panel in an arbitration brought by Raytheon Co. against Anixter Inc., a subsidiary of Anixter International Inc., entered an interim award against Anixter Inc. in the amount of \$20.8 million. The arbitration is more fully described in Note 11 to Anixter International Inc. s financial statements contained in its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended October 1, 2010. Raytheon may seek an additional award of attorneys fees and arbitration proceeding costs in this matter, and the company may object to such a request. The company anticipates recording a pre-tax charge in the fourth quarter in an amount that approximates the award after consideration of insurance proceeds and all legal costs.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.

December 17, 2010 By: /s/ Dennis J. Letham

Dennis J. Letham

Executive Vice President - Finance and

Chief Financial Officer