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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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 15, 2009

TYCO ELECTRONICS LTD.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

98-0518048

Switzerland (Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

001-33260

(Commission File Number)
Rheinstrasse 20
CH-8200 Schaffhausen
Switzerland

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

+41 (0)52 633 66 61

(Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code)

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Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

As previously reported, at the extraordinary general meeting of Tyco Electronics Ltd. (the "Company") held on October 8, 2009, the Company's shareholders approved a distribution to shareholders in the form of a par value reduction of 0.34 Swiss francs (CHF) per share payable in two equal installments on or before March 26, 2010 (the end of the second fiscal quarter of 2010). The first installment of the distribution will be paid in US dollars equal to US\$ 0.16 per share on or about December 23, 2009 to the Company's shareholders of record at the close of business on December 15, 2009.

The Company's amended and restated Articles of Association, reflecting the first installment of the par value reduction of CHF 0.17 per share, became effective upon their filing with the commercial register of the Canton of Schaffhausen, Switzerland on December 15, 2009 and, as a result, the par value of each share of the Company is now CHF 2.26.

A copy of the amended and restated Articles of Association is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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Exhibits

Exhibit

Number Description

- 3.1 Articles of Association of Tyco Electronics Ltd. (Tyco Electronics AG) (Tyco Electronics SA), as amended and restated
- 4.1 Form of Share Certificate (reflecting the par value of CHF 2.26 per share)

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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.

TYCO ELECTRONICS LTD.

(Registrant)

By: /s/ HAROLD G. BARKSDALE

Harold G. Barksdale Corporate Secretary

Date: December 15, 2009

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