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: May 12, 2010



VISUALANT, INCORPORATED

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada0-2554191-1948357(State or jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File No.)(IRS Employer Identification No.)

500 Union Street, Suite 406 Seattle, Washington 98101 (206) 903-1351

(Address of Registrant's principal executive office and telephone number)

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Section 5 - Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02 - Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Officers

Appointment of new Chief Financial Officer

Visualant, Inc. (the "Company"), today announced that Mark E. Scott has been appointed as its Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer. Mr. Scott will be responsible for all financial functions for the Company and will work with Mr. Ron Erickson, the Chief Executive Officer, on the implementation of the Company's growth strategy.

Mr. Scott has significant financial, capital market and relations experience in public microcap companies. He continues to serve as Chief Financial Officer of IA Global, Inc., a position he has held since October 2003. Previously, he held executive financial positions with Digital Lightwave; Network Access Solutions; and Teltronics, Inc. He has also held senior financial positions at Protel, Inc., Crystals International, Inc., Ranks Hovis McDougall, LLP and Brittania Sportswear, and worked at Arthur Andersen. As a member of the National Association of Corporate Directors, Mr. Scott is a certified corporate director. Mr. Scott is also a certified public accountant.

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On May 10, 2010, the Board of Directors approved the appointment of Mr. Scott based on the following terms:

Cash compensation: \$2,000 per month until cash is available at which time cash compensation shall be increased to \$8,000 per month.

Bonus cash compensation; shall be at the discretion of the senior executive and the board of directors.

Benefits: Post funding at discretion of recipient and equivalent to other employees in the company.

Stock: 1,000,000 shares of restricted common stock to be granted upon signing at the closing bid price of \$.02 per share on May 7, 2010, with 200,000 issued on signing subject to 144 only and 800,000 subject to repurchase by the Company for @ \$0.02 per. The repurchase right shall terminate as to 100,000 shares at the end of every three month period of the two year term.

On May 10, 2010, the Board of Directors authorized to Ron Erickson or his designee the issuance of two Million (2,000,000) shares of restricted common stock of the Company and the grant of options to purchase three million (3,000,000) shares at \$0.15 per share. The restricted common stock was issued at the closing bid price of \$.02 per share on May 7, 2010. The grant of options vests quarterly over two years and expires on May 6, 2020. This common stock issuance and the grant of options replace the 5,000,000 unissued shares previously approved by the Board of Directors on December 21, 2009.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits -

Exhibit No.	Description
<u>99.1</u>	Press Release of Visualant, Inc. dated May 12, 2010 announcing the appointment of Mark E. Scott as CFO.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements	of the Securities	Exchange Act	of 1934,	the registrant	has duly	caused	this report t	o be sign	ned on it	s behalf by	the undersigne	d hereunto	duly
authorized													

Registrant: VISUALANT, INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Ronald P. Erickson

Ronald P. Erickson, CEO & President

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PRESS RELEASE

For Release

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VISUALANT, INC. APPOINTS MARK E. SCOTT AS CFO

Seattle, WA. May 12, 2010/Business Wire

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Mr. Scott stated "I look forward to working with Visualant as it grows from a development stage company to a provider of identification, security and authentication products and services. My current focus is on closing Visualant's acquisition of TransTech Systems, Inc. ("TTS") by the end of May 2010. TTS, located in Portland Oregon, is a single-source distributor of ID and access control products, with sales of approximately \$10 million for year ended December 31, 2009 and is a natural adjunct to Visualant's core business strategy."

About Visualant, Inc.

Visualant, Inc. develops low-cost, high speed, light-based security and quality control solutions available for use in homeland security, anti-counterfeiting, forgery/fraud prevention, brand protection and process control applications. Its patent-pending technology uses controlled illumination with specific bands of light, measures and records what is seen, and manages data gathered in an innovative manner enabling devices to establish a unique spectral signature for both individual and classes of items. The spectral signatures, when matched against existing databases, allow precise identification and authentication of any item or substance.

Safe Harbor Statement

"Safe Harbor" Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. This release contains forward-looking statements regarding expectations for future financial performance, which involve uncertainty and risk. It is possible the Company's future financial performance may differ from expectations due to a variety of factors including, but not limited to, changes in economic and business conditions in the world, increased competitive activity, achieving sales levels to fulfill revenue expectations, consolidation among its competitors and customers, technology advancements, unexpected costs and charges, adequate funding for plans, changes in interest and foreign exchange rates, regulatory and other approvals and failure to implement all plans, for whatever reason. It is not possible to foresee or identify all such factors. Any forward-looking statements in this report are based on current conditions, expected future developments and other factors it believes are appropriate in the circumstances. Prospective investors are cautioned that such statements are not a guarantee of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from those projected. The Company makes no commitment to update any forward-looking statement included herein, or disclose any facts, events or circumstances that may affect the accuracy of any forward-looking statement.