

Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
August 31, 2011

**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): 8/29/2011**

**Commission File Number**

**Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc. 001-34581**

**Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

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**Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.**

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of

**20-0411521**  
(I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)  
**15710 John F. Kennedy Blvd., Suite 300**

**Identification No.)**

**Houston, TX 77032**

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**281-504-4700**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

Effective August 29, 2011, Jason P. Clark, age 39, was appointed Chief Accounting Officer of Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc., in which position he will serve as the Company's principal accounting officer. Prior to joining Kraton, from 2002 to 2011, Mr. Clark served in varying capacities, including Chief Accounting Officer, from 2010 to 2011, and Corporate Controller, from 2005 to 2011, with T-3 Energy Services, Inc., a U.S. publicly traded company that manufactures and services a broad range of oilfield products. Previously, from 1995 to 2002, Mr. Clark was a member of the accounting and auditing practice at Arthur Andersen. Mr. Clark earned B.B.A. and M.P.A. degrees in Accounting from the University of Texas and is a Certified Public Accountant. Prior to Mr. Clark's joining the company, the chief accounting officer role had been performed on an interim basis by Stephen E. Tremblay, who remains our Vice President and Chief Financial Officer.

**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.

Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.

Date: August 31, 2011

By: /s/ Stephen E. Tremblay  
Stephen E. Tremblay  
Chief Financial Officer