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December 01, 2006

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 2)

Ampex Corporation
(Name of Issuer)

Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share
(Title of Class of Securities)

032092-30-6
(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

November 28, 2006
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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SCHEDULE 13D

CUSIP No. 032092-30-6

- 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY)

ValueVest High Concentration Master Fund, Ltd. (20-4574633)
- 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)
(b)
- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*
WC
- 5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDING IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO
ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)
- 6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
Cayman Islands
- 7 SOLE VOTING POWER
0
- 8 SHARED VOTING POWER
341,436
- 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
0
- 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
341,436
- 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH PERSON
341,436
- 12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
- 13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
8.9%
- 14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
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CUSIP No. 032092-30-6

- 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY) ValueVest
Management Company II, LLC (47-0951956)
- 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)
(b)
- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*
n/a
- 5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDING IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO
ITEMS 2 (d) or 2 (e)
- 6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
California
- | | | | |
|---|----|--------------------------|---------|
| NUMBER OF SHARES | 7 | SOLE VOTING POWER | 0 |
| BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH | 8 | SHARED VOTING POWER | 341,436 |
| | 9 | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER | 0 |
| | 10 | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER | 341,436 |
- 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH PERSON
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SCHEDULE 13D

CUSIP No. 032092-30-6

- 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY) Mark B. Bakar
- 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)
(b)
- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*
n/a
- 5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDING IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO

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ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

- 6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
United States of America
- | | | | |
|---|----|--------------------------|---------|
| NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH | 7 | SOLE VOTING POWER | 0 |
| | 8 | SHARED VOTING POWER | 341,436 |
| | 9 | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER | 0 |
| | 10 | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER | 341,436 |
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IN

SCHEDULE 13D

CUSIP No. 032092-30-6

- 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY) David Cariani
- 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)
(b)
- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*
n/a
- 5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDING IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO
ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)
- 6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
United States of America
- | | | | |
|---|----|--------------------------|---------|
| NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH | 7 | SOLE VOTING POWER | 0 |
| | 8 | SHARED VOTING POWER | 341,436 |
| | 9 | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER | 0 |
| | 10 | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER | 341,436 |
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This Amendment No. 2 amends and supplements the Statement on Schedule 13D ("Statement") filed by the parties named below on November 13, 2006 and Amendment No. 1 thereto filed by the parties named below on November 16, 2006 with respect to the Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Common Stock"), of Ampex Corporation, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "Issuer"). Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Statement and Amendment No. 1.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Item 3 is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

The Master Fund purchased the shares of Common Stock covered by this Statement through open market purchases made from October 6, 2005 through November 22, 2006. Details of each purchase transaction are set forth on Exhibit 3, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Each purchase was funded using equity capital contributed to the Master Fund by its direct and indirect investors.

In addition to the above amendment to and restatement of Item 3, Exhibit 3 is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the following new rows:

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|------------|-----|-------|-------|------------|---------|
| 11/17/2006 | Buy | 6,701 | 13.29 | 89,383.97 | 324,469 |
| 11/20/2006 | Buy | 6,832 | 13.47 | 92,338.58 | 331,301 |
| 11/21/2006 | Buy | 9,584 | 14.10 | 135,611.68 | 340,885 |
| 11/22/2006 | Buy | 551 | 14.68 | 8,115.51 | 341,436 |

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

Item 4 is hereby amended by inserting the following paragraphs as the eleventh and twelfth paragraphs:

On November 28, 2006, Messrs. Bakar and Cariani of the Investment Manager and David Martin, the chief executive officer of MoCAM, met with Messrs. Bramson and McKibben, the Issuer's chief executive officer and chief financial officer, respectively, at the Issuer's offices in New York. At the meeting, the Investment Manager expressed its continuing belief that the market price of the Company's Shares does not fully reflect the underlying value of the Issuer's assets and businesses.

The Investment Manager indicated that it has identified specific actions and possible strategic relationships that could materially increase the Company's revenue stream from its intellectual property assets. Such plans could involve the consulting and advisory services of M.CAM and Dr. Martin. In addition, the Investment Manager indicated a need to consider the management team and possible changes to the composition of the Board of Directors. The Issuer agreed to discuss these matters with its Board of Directors and is prepared to work with the Investment Manager on exploring a new strategic plan for the Issuer along the lines outlined by the Investment Manager. The parties agreed to meet again in December to review possible nominees for the Board of Directors and to discuss in detail ways to further monetize the patent

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portfolio.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Item 5(a) is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

(a) As of September 30, 2006, there were 3,820,273 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding according to the Issuer's Form 10-Q filed on November 7, 2006. As of December 1, 2006, the Master Fund owns of record 341,436 shares of Common Stock, which represents approximately 8.9% of the shares of Common Stock currently issued and outstanding. The Investment Manager may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock owned of record by the Master Fund because of its investment management contract with and equity interest in the Master Fund. Messrs. Baker and Cariani may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock owned of record by the Master Fund because of their equity interest in the Investment Manager.

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: December 1, 2006

ValueVest High Concentration Master Fund, Ltd.

/s/ Mark B. Bakar

By: Mark B. Bakar
Title: Director

ValueVest Management Company II, LLC

/s/ David Cariani

By: David Cariani
Title: Managing Member

/s/ Mark B. Bakar

Mark B. Bakar

/s/ David Cariani

David Cariani

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