
**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 the earliest event reported): **August 1, 2019 (July 31, 2019)**

Cypress Semiconductor Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State of Incorporation)

1-10079
(Commission File Number)

94-2885898
(I.R.S. Employer Identification
Number)

**198 Champion Court
San Jose, California 95134**
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(408) 943-2600
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable
(Former Name or Former Address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- ☒ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class:	Trading symbol:	Name of each exchange on which registered:
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	CY	The Nasdaq Global Select Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Item 8.01 Other Events

In connection with the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of June 3, 2019 (as amended or modified from time to time, the “Merger Agreement”), by and among Cypress Semiconductor Corporation, a Delaware corporation (“Cypress”), Infineon Technologies AG, a stock corporation (*Aktiengesellschaft*) organized under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany (“Infineon”), and IFX Merger Sub Inc., a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Infineon (“Merger Sub”), Cypress and Infineon each filed a premerger notification and report form required under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended (“HSR Act”), with the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission (“FTC”) on June 17, 2019. Following informal discussions with the FTC, Infineon voluntarily withdrew its premerger notification and refiled it as of July 19, 2019. On July 31, 2019, the FTC granted early termination of the waiting period under the HSR Act.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements, within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements with respect to the proposed transaction and the merger of Merger Sub, a wholly owned subsidiary of Infineon, with and into Cypress on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement (the “Merger”), the benefits of the proposed transaction and the anticipated timing of the proposed transaction. Forward-looking statements can be generally identified by the use of words such as “anticipate,” “believe,” “plan,” “project,” “estimate,” “forecast,” “expect,” “should,” “intend,” “may,” “could,” “will,” “would,” “outlook,” “future,” “trend,” “goal,” “target,” and similar expressions or expressions of the negative of these terms. These statements reflect only Cypress’s current expectations and are not guarantees of future performance or results. Forward-looking information involves risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in, or reasonably inferred from, such statements. Specific factors that could cause actual results to differ from results contemplated by forward-looking statements include, among others, the occurrence of any event, development, condition, state of facts, change, effect or other circumstances that could give rise to the termination of the Merger Agreement, the inability to complete the Merger due to the failure to obtain stockholder approval for the Merger or the failure to satisfy other conditions to completion of the Merger, including that a governmental authority may prohibit, delay or refuse to grant approval for the consummation of the transaction; risks regarding the failure of Infineon to obtain the necessary financing to complete the Merger; risks related to disruption of management’s attention from Cypress’s ongoing business operations due to the transaction; the effect of the announcement of the Merger on Cypress’s relationships, operating results and business generally; the risk that certain approvals or consents will not be received in a timely manner or that the Merger will not be consummated in a timely manner; the risk of exceeding the expected costs of the Merger; adverse changes in U.S. and non-U.S. governmental laws and regulations; adverse developments in Cypress’s relationships with its employees; capital market conditions, including availability of funding sources for us; changes in our credit ratings; risks related to our indebtedness, including our ability to meet certain financial covenants in our debt instruments; the risk of litigation, including stockholder litigation in connection with the proposed transaction, and the impact of any adverse legal judgments, fines, penalties, injunctions or settlements; and volatility in the market price of our stock.

Therefore, caution should be taken not to place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements. We assume no obligation (and specifically disclaim any such obligation) to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law. For additional discussion of potential risks and uncertainties that could impact our results of operations or financial position, refer to Part I, Item 1A. Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 30, 2018 and Part II, Item 1A. Risk Factors in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2019 and any subsequent filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”).

Additional Information and Where to Find It

This Current Report on Form 8-K may be deemed to be solicitation material in respect of the proposed Merger. This Current Report on Form 8-K does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy our securities or the solicitation of any vote or approval. The proposed Merger will be submitted to Cypress’s stockholders for their consideration. In connection with the proposed transaction, Cypress has filed a definitive proxy statement with the SEC on July 16, 2019 and other relevant materials with the SEC in connection with the solicitation of proxies in connection with the proposed transaction. The definitive proxy statement has been mailed to Cypress’s stockholders. BEFORE MAKING ANY VOTING OR INVESTMENT DECISION WITH RESPECT TO THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION, INVESTORS AND STOCKHOLDERS OF CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION ARE URGED TO READ THE DEFINITIVE PROXY STATEMENT REGARDING THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION (INCLUDING ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS THERETO) AND OTHER RELEVANT MATERIALS CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION. The proxy statement, any amendments or supplements thereto and other relevant materials, and any other documents filed by Cypress with the SEC, may be obtained once such documents are filed with the SEC free of charge at the SEC’s website at www.sec.gov.

In addition, Cypress’s stockholders may obtain free copies of the documents we file with the SEC through the Investors portion of Cypress’s website at investors.cypress.com under the link “Financials & Filings” and then under the link “SEC Filings” or by contacting Cypress’s Investor Relations Department by (a) mail at Cypress Semiconductor Corporation, Attention: Investor Relations, 198 Champion Ct., San Jose, CA 95134, (b) telephone at (408) 943-2600, or (c) e-mail at investorrelations@cypress.com.

Participants in Solicitation

Cypress and certain of its executive officers, directors, other members of management and employees, may under the rules of the SEC, be deemed to be “participants” in the solicitation of proxies from Cypress’s stockholders in connection with the proposed transaction. Information regarding the persons who may be considered “participants” in the solicitation of proxies is set forth in Cypress’s definitive proxy statement filed with the SEC on July 16, 2019 and other relevant documents to be filed with the SEC in connection with the proposed transaction, each of which can be obtained free of charge from the sources indicated above when they become available. Information regarding certain of these persons and their beneficial ownership of Cypress’s common stock is also set forth in Cypress’s definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A for its 2019 annual meeting of stockholders filed on March 15, 2019 with the SEC, which can be obtained free of charge from the sources indicated above.

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.

CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

Date: August 1, 2019

By:	_____ /s/ Thad Trent
Name:	Thad Trent
Title:	Executive Vice President, Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer