# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

# SCHEDULE 13G

# (Rule 13d-102)

Information to be Included in Statements Filed Pursuant to § 240.13d-1(b), (c) and (d) and Amendments Thereto Filed Pursuant to § 240.13d-2.

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Final Amendment)

<u>AeroVironment, Inc.</u> (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock (Title of Class of Securities)

> <u>008073108</u> (CUSIP Number)

February 29, 2012 (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

☑ Rule 13d-1(b)
 □ Rule 13d-1(c)
 □ Rule 13d-1(d)

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1)	NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS					
	Gilder, Gagnon, Howe & Co. LLC					
2)	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A M	IEMBER	(a) o			
3)	SEC USE ONLY			(b) o		
4)	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZ/	ATION				
,	New York					
		5)	SOLE VOTING POWER			
	NUMBER	_	5,354			
	OF SHARES	6)	SHARED VOTING POWER			
	BENEFICIALLY		None			
	OWNED BY EACH	7)	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER			
	REPORTING		5,354			
	PERSON WITH	8)	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER			
			725,900			
9)	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON					
	731,254					
10)	CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES					
11)	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)					
	3.3%					
12)	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON					
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ame of Issuer:
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AeroVironment,	Inc.
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# Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

181 W. Huntington Drive, Suite 202 Monrovia, CA 91016

# Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing:

Gilder, Gagnon, Howe & Co. LLC

#### Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence:

3 Columbus Circle, 26th Floor New York, NY 10019

#### Item 2(c). Citizenship:

New York

#### Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock

# Item 2(e). CUSIP Number: 008073108 Item 3.

# tem 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§ 240.13d-1(b), or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a: (a) x Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780); (b) □ Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c); (c) □ Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);

(d) 🛛 Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8);

#### (f) An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);

(g)  $\Box$  A parent holding company or control person in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);

- (h) 🛛 A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i) 🛛 A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j) A non-U.S. institution in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);

#### Item 4.

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 731,254
- (b) Percent of class: 3.3%

Ownership.

- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 5,354
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: None
  - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 5,354
  - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 725,900

The shares reported include 595,825 shares held in customer accounts over which partners and/or employees of the Reporting Person have discretionary authority to dispose of or direct the disposition of the shares, 130,075 shares held in account of the profit-sharing plan of the Reporting Person (the "Profit-Sharing Plan").

#### Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

This statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities.

## Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

# Not applicable

#### Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person.

Not applicable

# Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not applicable

# Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not applicable

#### Item 10. Certification.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect, other than activities solely in connection with a nomination under § 240.14a-11.

# SIGNATURE

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

<u>March 7, 2012</u> Date

<u>/s/ Bonnie Haupt</u> Signature

Bonnie Haupt, Chief Compliance Officer & Branch Manager Name/Title

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