REALNETWORKS INC Form 8-K April 13, 2017

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) April 11, 2017

RealNetworks, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington 000-23137 91-1628146 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1501 First Avenue South, Suite 600
Seattle, Washington 98134
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)
(206) 674-2700
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:

oWritten communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

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 o

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. o	

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

On April 11, 2017, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of RealNetworks, Inc. approved the 2017 Executive MBO Plan. The Compensation Committee will administer this plan, which is pursuant to the RealNetworks 2005 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended and restated.

Payouts under the 2017 Executive MBO Plan will be determined by our Compensation Committee and will be based 50% on company and/or divisional financial performance and 50% on individual performance. Financial performance will be measured by the achievement of specific financial goals related to revenue (weighted at 25% of total performance) and adjusted EBITDA (weighted at 25% of total performance). Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP measure that we define as GAAP net income (loss) and excludes the impact of the following: interest income (loss), income tax expense, gain on investments, equity in net loss of Rhapsody, depreciation and amortization, acquisitions-related intangible asset amortization, stock-based compensation, restructuring and other charges, and lease exit and related charges.

Any bonuses payable pursuant to the 2017 Executive Bonus Plan are expected to be paid 50% in cash and 50% in the form of fully vested restricted stock units.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the SEC, the attached exhibits are deemed to have been furnished to, but not filed with, the SEC.

Exhibit No. Description 10.1 2017 Executive MBO Plan

SIGNATURE

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.

REALNETWORKS, INC.

By: /s/ Michael Parham Michael Parham

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Dated: April 13, 2017

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