SUN MICROSYSTEMS, INC. Form 8-K June 28, 2005

# **UNITED STATES**

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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): June 22, 2005

Sun Microsystems, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 0-15086 (Commission File Number) 94-2805249 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

4150 Network Circle

Santa Clara, California (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 95054-1778 (Zip Code)

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(650) 960-1300

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

### N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

#### Item 1.01. Entry Into Material Definitive Agreement

Adoption of U.S. Vice President Severance Plan.

On June 23, 2005, the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee (the LDCC) of Sun Microsystems, Inc. (the Company) approved the Company s U.S. Vice President Severance Plan (the Severance Plan), which will go into effect on July 1, 2005. The Severance Plan is available to the Company s U.S. employees at the level of vice president or above. Under the Severance Plan, in the event a participant s employment is terminated as a result of a workforce reduction, retirement, mutual agreement or involuntary termination without cause, the participant will be entitled to remain on the Company s payroll and receive career service assistance for specified periods following notice of termination. In addition, in the event a participant is terminated as a result of his or her retirement, the participant s stock options will continue to vest for a specified number of months. Finally, if a participant signs a form of release and waiver upon his or her termination, the participant will receive a lump-sum cash payment of a specified number of weeks of pay and a specified number of weeks of COBRA premiums, based upon years of service and position.

Form of Stock Option Grant Agreement for U.S. Employees Under the Company s 1990 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan.

On April 28, 2005, the LDCC approved a form of stock option grant agreement for U.S. employees (the Grant Agreement ) under the Company s 1990 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan (the 1990 Plan ). The Grant Agreement has the same terms as the prior form of stock option grant agreement under the 1990 Plan, except for the addition of a non-solicitation clause and an at-will employment clause.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### (c) Exhibits

The following exhibit is filed herewith:

Exhibit	
Number	Description
10.1	Form of Stock Option Grant Agreement for U.S. Employees Under the Company s 1990 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan.

### **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.

Date: June 28, 2005

## SUN MICROSYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ Crawford Beveridge

Crawford Beveridge Executive Vice President, People and Places, and Chief Human Resources

Officer