

MICROSTRATEGY INC  
Form 8-K  
March 11, 2011

**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): March 7, 2011**

**MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**  
  
**of incorporation)**

**0-24435**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**

**51-0323571**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
  
**Identification No.)**

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**1850 Towers Crescent Plaza**

**Vienna, Virginia**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**22182**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (703) 848-8600**

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

On March 7, 2011, the Compensation Committee of MicroStrategy Incorporated (the Company ) established a formula (the 2011 Bonus Formula ) for determining the eligible bonus amount with respect to the performance of the Company s Chief Executive Officer, Michael J. Saylor, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011. The 2011 Bonus Formula provides for an eligible bonus amount calculated using graduated rates based on the Company s diluted earnings per share ( DEPS ) for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011, as follows:

\$400,000 per dollar of DEPS for the first dollar of DEPS, plus

\$500,000 per dollar of DEPS for the second dollar of DEPS, plus

\$600,000 per dollar of DEPS for each dollar of DEPS over \$2.

Mr. Saylor s maximum cash bonus amount for 2011 is \$4,800,000, which is the same as the maximum amount that the Compensation Committee had set for 2010. The Compensation Committee has the discretion to award a cash bonus amount lower than the eligible bonus amount calculated using the 2011 Bonus Formula.

**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.

Date: March 11, 2011

MicroStrategy Incorporated

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Douglas K. Thede

Name: Douglas K. Thede

Title: Executive Vice President, Finance & Chief Financial Officer