

CISCO SYSTEMS INC  
Form 8-K  
September 22, 2010

**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): September 16, 2010

**CISCO SYSTEMS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California

(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

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**0-18225**  
(Commission

File Number)

**170 West Tasman Drive, San Jose, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**(408) 526-4000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Not Applicable**

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

**77-0059951**  
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

**95134-1706**  
(Zip Code)

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

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On September 16, 2010, Larry R. Carter, a member of the board of directors of Cisco Systems, Inc. ( Cisco ), adopted a pre-arranged stock trading plan to exercise Cisco stock options originally granted in 2001 and set to expire in November 2010, and to sell the acquired shares of Cisco stock. Under the plan, Mr. Carter may sell up to 100,000 shares of Cisco stock. The plan is scheduled to terminate in November 2010.

Further, on September 16, 2010, Jerry Yang, a member of Cisco s board of directors, adopted a pre-arranged stock trading plan to exercise Cisco stock options originally granted in 2001 and set to expire in November 2010, and to sell the acquired shares of Cisco stock. Under the plan, Mr. Yang may sell up to 15,000 shares of Cisco stock. The plan is scheduled to terminate in November 2010.

The transactions under each plan will be disclosed publicly through Form 144 and Form 4 filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Each plan was adopted in accordance with guidelines specified under Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Cisco s policies regarding stock transactions.

Rule 10b5-1 permits individuals who are not in possession of material, non-public information at the time the plan is adopted to establish pre-arranged plans to buy or sell company stock. Using these plans, individuals can prudently and gradually diversify their investment portfolios over an extended period of time.

**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.

**CISCO SYSTEMS, INC.**

Dated: September 22, 2010

By: /s/ Evan Sloves  
Name: Evan Sloves  
Title: Assistant Secretary