

MASTERCARD INC
Form 8-K
March 02, 2011

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): February 24, 2011

MasterCard Incorporated

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-32877
(Commission
File Number)

13-4172551
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

2000 Purchase Street

Purchase, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

(914) 249-2000

10577
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

NOT APPLICABLE

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

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Item 8.01 Other Events

MasterCard Incorporated (the Company) announced today that Noah J. Hanft, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, entered into a pre-arranged stock trading plan to sell a limited amount of the Company's shares for personal financial management purposes, designed to comply with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Company's insider trading policies regarding stock transactions (the 10b5-1 Plan).

The 10b5-1 Plan allows for the sale of a maximum of approximately 4,397 shares of the Company's Class A common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the Class A Common Stock), underlying stock option awards. The 10b5-1 Plan provides for sales of specified share amounts at specified market prices, subject to specified limitations. Sales pursuant to the 10b5-1 Plan are expected to begin as early as April 25, 2011 and will end no later than October 25, 2011. The 10b5-1 Plan may terminate sooner in accordance with its terms.

Mr. Hanft will continue to be subject to the Company's executive stock ownership guidelines until reaching the age of 62, whereby he is encouraged to hold at least four times his base salary in stock. For purposes of the stock ownership guidelines, shares of Class A Common Stock held directly or indirectly by Mr. Hanft are included; however, restricted stock units, performance stock units and unexercised stock options held are excluded.

Transactions made under the 10b5-1 Plan will be disclosed publicly through Form 4 filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Except as may be required by law, the Company does not undertake to report on specific Rule 10b5-1 pre-planned stock trading plans of Company officers, nor to report modifications or terminations of the aforementioned 10b5-1 Plan or the plan of any other individual.

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.

MASTERCARD INCORPORATED

Date: March 2, 2011

By */s/ Noah J. Hanft*
Noah J. Hanft

General Counsel and Corporate Secretary