

WALT DISNEY CO/
Form DEFA14A
March 18, 2011

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14A

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Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No.)

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The Walt Disney Company

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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Commencing March 18, 2011, The Walt Disney Company sent the following communication to certain shareholders:

We would like to make you aware that we have amended employment agreements with four executives to remove a provision that provided for gross-ups for excise tax payments the executives could incur upon termination following a change in control. Attached is a report on Form 8-K that was filed with the SEC this morning. The report provides additional information about these amendments.

If you have any questions, you may direct them to Lowell Singer, Senior Vice President Investor Relations, at 818-560-6601.

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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 17, 2011

The Walt Disney Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-11605
(Commission File Number)

95-4545390
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

500 South Buena Vista Street

Burbank, California

91521

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(818) 560-1000

(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name or 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)
- ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ☐ 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

(e) On March 17, 2011, the Company amended employment agreements with each of Robert A. Iger, James A. Rasulo, Alan N. Braverman and Thomas O. Staggs to remove from their employment agreements a provision for payment to the executive to cover excise taxes incurred by the executive pursuant to Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code with respect to payments received by the executive upon termination following a change in control.

The amendments of Mr. Iger, Mr. Rasulo, Mr. Braverman and Mr. Staggs' agreement are attached as Exhibits 10.1, 10.2, 10.3 and 10.4 respectively to this Report and are incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Exhibits

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| Exhibit 10.1 | Amendment dated March 17, 2011 to the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of December 23, 2008, between the Company and Robert A. Iger |
| Exhibit 10.2 | Amendment dated March 17, 2011 to Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2010, between the Company and James A. Rasulo |
| Exhibit 10.3 | Amendment dated March 17, 2011 to Employment Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2008, between the Company and Alan N. Braverman |
| Exhibit 10.4 | Amendment dated March 17, 2011 to Amended and Restated Employment Agreement dated as of December 18, 2008, between the Company and Thomas O. Staggs |

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.

The Walt Disney Company

By: /s/ Roger J. Patterson
Roger J. Patterson

Managing Vice President, Counsel

Registered In-House Counsel

Dated: March 18, 2011

March 17, 2011

Mr. Robert A. Iger
President and Chief Executive Officer
The Walt Disney Company
500 South Buena Vista Street
Burbank, California 91521

RE: Amendment to that certain Amended and Restated Employment Agreement Between The Walt Disney Company and Robert A. Iger, dated as of December 23, 2008 (the Agreement)

Dear Mr. Iger:

This letter agreement will confirm that Paragraph 10 of the Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety (together with all references thereto in the Agreement) and shall be of no further force or effect, effective as of the date hereof.

As amended hereby, the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect in accordance with its terms.

If the foregoing accurately reflects your understanding of our mutual agreement, please so indicate in the space provided below and return an executed copy hereof to us at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY

By: /s/ M. Jayne Parker

Title: EVP, Chief HR Officer

Date: 3/17/2011

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO:

/s/ Robert A. Iger
Robert A. Iger

Date: 3/17/2011

March 17, 2011

Mr. James A. Rasulo

Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

The Walt Disney Company

500 South Buena Vista Street

Burbank, California 91521

RE: Amendment to that certain Employment Agreement Between The Walt Disney Company and James A. Rasulo, dated as of January 1, 2010 (the Agreement)

Dear Mr. Rasulo:

This letter agreement will confirm that Paragraph 7 of the Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety (together with all references thereto in the Agreement) and shall be of no further force or effect, effective as of the date hereof.

As amended hereby, the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect in accordance with its terms.

If the foregoing accurately reflects your understanding of our mutual agreement, please so indicate in the space provided below and return an executed copy hereof to us at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY

By: /s/ M. Jayne Parker

Title: EVP, Chief HR Officer

Date: 3/17/2011

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO:

/s/ James A. Rasulo
James A. Rasulo

Date: 3/17/2011

March 17, 2011

Mr. Alan N. Braverman

Senior Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

The Walt Disney Company

500 South Buena Vista Street

Burbank, California 91521

RE: Amendment to that certain Employment Agreement dated as of October 1, 2008 by and between The Walt Disney Company and Alan N. Braverman (the Agreement)

Dear Mr. Braverman:

This letter agreement will confirm that Paragraph 7 of the Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety (together with all references thereto in the Agreement) and shall be of no further force or effect, effective as of the date hereof.

As amended hereby, the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect in accordance with its terms.

If the foregoing accurately reflects your understanding of our mutual agreement, please so indicate in the space provided below and return an executed copy hereof to us at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY

By: /s/ M. Jayne Parker

Title: EVP, Chief HR Officer

Date: 3/17/2011

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO:

/s/ Alan N. Braverman
Alan N. Braverman

Date: 3/17/2011

March 17, 2011

Mr. Thomas O. Staggs
Chairman
Walt Disney Parks and Resorts Worldwide
500 South Buena Vista Street
Burbank, California 91521

RE: Amendment to that certain Amended and Restated Employment Agreement Between The Walt Disney Company and Thomas O. Staggs dated as of December 18, 2008, as amended and assigned to Walt Disney Parks and Resorts Worldwide on January 7, 2010 (the Agreement)

Dear Mr. Staggs:

This letter agreement will confirm that Paragraph 7 of the Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety (together with all references thereto in the Agreement) and shall be of no further force or effect, effective as of the date hereof.

As amended hereby, the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect in accordance with its terms.

If the foregoing accurately reflects your understanding of our mutual agreement, please so indicate in the space provided below and return an executed copy hereof to us at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

WALT DISNEY PARKS
AND RESORTS WORLDWIDE

By: /s/ Marsha L. Reed

Title: Vice President

Date: March 17, 2011

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO:

/s/ Thomas O. Staggs
Thomas O. Staggs

Date: March 17, 2011