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## **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 30, 2008

# **ACTIVISION, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

3100 Ocean Park Boulevard, Santa

Monica, CA (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 001-15839

(Commission File Number)

95-4803544

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

90405

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (310) 255-2000

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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

#### **Approval of Fiscal Year 2009 Annual Bonus Opportunities**

On June 30, 2008, the Compensation Committee (the Compensation Committee ) of the Board of Directors (the Board ) of Activision, Inc. (the Company ) established fiscal year 2009 annual performance-based award opportunities for the following executive officers pursuant to the Company s 2007 Incentive Plan (the Plan ):

- Robert A. Kotick, the Company s Chairman and Chief Executive Officer;
- Michael J. Griffith, the President and Chief Executive Officer of Activision Publishing, Inc. ( Activision Publishing );
- Thomas Tippl, the Chief Financial Officer of Activision Publishing;
- Robin Kaminsky, the Executive Vice President, Publishing of Activision Publishing;
- Brian Hodous, the Chief Customer Officer of Activision Publishing;
- George L. Rose, the Chief Legal Officer of Activision Publishing; and
- Ann Weiser, the Chief Human Resources Officer of Activision Publishing.

*Mr. Kotick*. The target bonus opportunity for Mr. Kotick was established at \$1,900,000, which represents 200% of his base salary. Mr. Kotick s award opportunity is subject to the achievement of specified corporate performance and individual performance goals. The goals, including the percentage of Mr. Kotick s target bonus determined based upon such goal are as follows:

- Earnings per share 60%;
- Capital optimization 15%;
- Corporate governance and business franchise goals 10%; and
- Strategic objectives for various operating units and initiatives 15%.

Payment of a bonus with respect to each goal is capped at 120% of the target bonus attributable to such goal, with the exception of the earnings per share goal which is not capped. In no event, however, will the aggregate bonus paid to Mr. Kotick exceed \$4 million. Payments, if any, will

be made after the determination of the amount of the award, which will occur after the end of the Company s 2009 fiscal year.

Corporate Annual Incentive Plan. The fiscal year 2009 bonus award opportunities for Messrs. Griffith, Tippl, Hodous and Rose and Messes. Kaminsky and Weiser are paid pursuant to the Company s Corporate Annual Incentive Plan (the AIP). Award opportunities under the AIP are subject to the achievement of specified corporate and individual performance goals for each executive as set forth below. The aggregate payment to each executive named above will be based on the weight assigned to each goal established for him or her and the extent to which such goals are satisfied or exceeded.

*Mr. Griffith.* The target bonus opportunity for Mr. Griffith was established at \$742,000, with a maximum bonus opportunity of \$1,305,920. Mr. Griffith s bonus is dependent on the achievement of various quantitative and qualitative performance goals. The goals,

including the percentage of Mr. Griffith s target bonus determined based upon such goal are as follows:

- Corporate Operating Income 70%; and
- Strategic objectives for various operating units and initiatives 30%.

*Mr. Tippl.* The target bonus opportunity for Mr. Tippl was established at \$388,125, with a maximum bonus opportunity of \$683,100. Mr. Tippl s bonus is dependent on the achievement of various quantitative and qualitative performance goals. The goals, including the percentage of Mr. Tippl s target bonus determined based upon such goal are as follows:

- Corporate Operating Income 70%;
- Ensuring successful integration and synergy goals 15%; and
- Acquiring strategic assets 15%.

*Ms. Kaminsky*. The target bonus opportunity for Ms. Kaminsky was established at \$386,250, with a maximum bonus opportunity of \$679,800. Ms. Kaminsky s bonus is dependent on the achievement of various quantitative and qualitative performance goals. The goals, including the percentage of Ms. Kaminsky s target bonus determined based upon such goal are as follows:

- Corporate Operating Income 70%;
- Delivery of high quality games 10%;
- Ensuring successful integration and synergy goals 10%; and
- Achievement of business franchise targets 10%.

*Mr. Hodous*. The target bonus opportunity for Mr. Hodous was established at \$364,063, with a maximum bonus opportunity of \$640,750. Mr. Hodous s bonus is dependent on the achievement of various quantitative and qualitative performance goals. The goals, including the percentage of Mr. Hodous target bonus determined based upon such goal are as follows:

•	Corporate Operating Income 70%;				
•	Strategic objectives for various operating units and initiatives 20%; and				
•	Ensuring successful integration and synergy goals 10%.				
of \$660,000. Mr. R	t bonus opportunity for Mr. Rose was established at \$375,000, with a maximum bonus opportunity cose s bonus is dependent on the achievement of various quantitative and qualitative performance including the percentage of Mr. Rose s target bonus determined based upon such goal are as follows:				
•	Corporate Operating Income 70%;				
•	Ensuring successful integration and synergy goals 15%; and				
•	Acquiring strategic assets 15%.				
opportunity of \$660	get bonus opportunity for Ms. Weiser was established at \$375,000, with a maximum bonus 0,000. Ms. Weiser s bonus is dependent on the achievement of various quantitative and qualitative The goals, including the percentage of Ms. Weiser s target bonus determined based upon such goal				
•	Corporate Operating Income 70%;				
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- Ensuring successful integration and synergy goals 10%;
- Implementing worldwide human resources integration plans 10%; and
- Recruiting, retention, and leadership development goals 10%.

The actual bonus awarded will vary based on the level of achievement against defined targets for each quantitative and qualitative performance goal. The following schedule outlines the minimum performance level required to be awarded a bonus for each metric as well as the performance level at which the maximum bonus level is reached.

	Minimum		Maximum	
	Performance (% of Plan)	Award (% of Target)	Performance (% of Plan)	Award (% of Target)
Corporate Operating Income	85%	85%	200%	200%
Other Operating Income Goals*	75%	75%	200%	200%
Other Goals*			Significantly	
	On Target	100%	Above Target	120%

<sup>\*</sup> Threshold Performance Level: if the minimum performance level for corporate operating income is not achieved, there is no established award amount. In this case, the bonus award will be at the discretion of the Compensation Committee.

Payments, if any, will be made after the determination of the amount of the awards, which will occur after the end of the Company s 2009 fiscal year (*i.e.*, March 31, 2009). The target and maximum bonus opportunities for each executive officer are subject to adjustment to reflect any salary increase for the executive officer occurring during the remainder of the Company s 2009 fiscal year but in any event no executive shall be eligible to receive a bonus in excess of \$4,000,000. In the event the Company moves from a fiscal year to a calendar year and the fiscal year 2009 performance period is shortened, the target and maximum bonus opportunities and performance goals will be adjusted proportionately.

#### **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: July 7, 2008 ACTIVISION, INC.

By: /s/ George L. Rose

George L. Rose

Chief Legal Officer of Activision

Publishing, Inc.

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