

CISCO SYSTEMS INC  
Form 8-K  
December 17, 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): December 17, 2010

**CISCO SYSTEMS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-18225  
(Commission File Number)

77-0059951  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

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

**95134-1706**  
(Zip Code)

**(408) 526-4000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Not Applicable**

(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:

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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 December 17, 2010, Mark Chandler, Senior Vice President, Legal Services, General Counsel and Secretary of Cisco Systems, Inc. ( Cisco ), adopted a pre-arranged stock trading plan to exercise Cisco stock options originally granted in 2002 and set to expire in April 2011, and to sell the acquired shares of Cisco stock. Under the plan, Mr. Chandler may sell up to 30,000 shares of Cisco stock. The plan is scheduled to terminate in April 2011.

The transactions under the plan will be disclosed publicly through Form 144 and Form 4 filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The 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: December 17, 2010

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