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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): May 22, 2013

Red Hat, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-33162 (Commission File Number) 06-1364380 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

100 East Davie Street, Raleigh, North Carolina (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

27601 (Zip Code)

(919) 754-3700

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(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

(e) On May 22, 2013, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the Committee) of Red Hat, Inc. (the Company):

maintained at the current levels the annual base salaries of the Company s principal executive officer, principal financial officer and other named executive officers (collectively, the Executive Officers);

established the target award amounts for the Company s fiscal year ending February 28, 2014 (FY2014) for the Executive Officers under the Company s Executive Variable Compensation Plan (EVCP);

established the financial performance objectives that will be used to determine the cash award amounts for the Executive Officers for FY2014 under the EVCP;

approved the performance objectives and a form of award agreement for use with grants of performance share units (PSUs) in FY2014 with payouts based on the Company s financial performance (the Operating PSUs);

approved the performance objective and a form of award agreement for use with grants of PSUs in FY2014 with payouts based on the total shareholder return (TSR) provided by the Company s common stock (the TSR PSUs);

approved the use of the peer group (the Peer Group) to be used for measuring performance for PSUs to be awarded in FY2014; and

established the performance objective to be included in the form of award agreement to be used for grants of Restricted Stock Awards (RSAs) in FY2014.

Executive Base Salaries

The annual base salaries for the Executive Officers are set forth on Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K (this Form 8-K). The Committee decided to maintain base salaries for FY2014 at the levels approved during the Company s fiscal year ending February 28, 2013.

FY2014 Target Award Amounts under the EVCP

The target award amounts under the EVCP for FY2014 for the Executive Officers are set forth on Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K. For a discussion of the EVCP, see the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on May 16,2007 (the May 2007 Form 8-K).

FY2014 Performance Objectives under the EVCP

The financial performance objectives for FY2014 under the EVCP are (a) a specified dollar amount of total revenues, (b) a specified dollar amount of cash flow from operations plus excess tax benefits from share-based payment arrangements and (c) a specified percentage of operating margin, excluding the impact of expense related to share-based payment arrangements. the amortization of intangible assets and facilities exit costs. The cash flow from operations and operating margin performance objectives are considered non-GAAP financial measures.

The total revenue and operating margin performance objectives are based on a Euro/U.S. dollar exchange rate of 1.00 Euros: U.S.\$1.29 and a yen/U.S. dollar exchange rate of 94 yen:U.S.\$1.00, and these objectives are subject to adjustment if actual exchange rates for these currencies differ from these assumed rates by 5% or more. Additionally, the following items shall be excluded in determining whether any financial performance objective has been satisfied for FY2014: the impact of acquisitions and divestitures approved by the Board of Directors, goodwill write-offs, restructuring charges, litigation and insurance settlement charges, the impact of discontinued operations and the cumulative effect of changes in tax laws or accounting procedures. The Committee has reserved the right to exercise negative discretion to limit or forego any of these exclusions and may adjust any financial performance objective for FY2014 in its discretion as permitted by Section VIII of the EVCP. For

a discussion of the EVCP, see the May 2007 Form 8-K.

The Committee determined that 75% of a participant starget award amount will be based upon the financial performance objectives discussed above, and 25% of a participant starget award amount will be based on individual performance objectives or the achievement of individual goals, which may be objectively or subjectively determined (the Individual Objectives). Individual

Objectives relate to strategy development, planning and/or implementation, corporate initiatives, succession planning, retention of key employees, executive development and operational improvements. The Committee determined that each of the financial performance objectives discussed above will be weighted equally in calculating the financial component of the award, and, with respect to each financial metric and the Individual Objectives metric, payments range from 0 50% per metric. The target award amounts approved by the Committee for the Executive Officers are set forth on Exhibit 99.1 of this Form 8-K.

Operating PSUs and the Form of Operating PSU Agreement

The Committee authorized the grant to each Executive Officer of an Operating PSU award. Each Operating PSU represents the right to receive in the future one share of the Company s common stock, or at the Company s election, the value of such share, according to a formula specified in, and subject to the terms and conditions of, the form of Operating PSU agreement (the Operating PSU Agreement) filed as Exhibit 99.2 hereto. Capitalized terms not defined in this summary are defined in the Operating PSU Agreement.

Except as set forth below, the terms of the Operating PSU Agreement are substantially similar to the terms of the Company s form of Performance Share Unit Agreement filed as Exhibit 99.1 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 15, 2007 (the October 2007 Form 8-K). The summary of such terms in the October 2007 Form 8-K is incorporated by reference herein.

Under the Operating PSU Agreement, an executive will be granted an award for a target number of PSUs, and depending on the Company s financial performance, the executive may earn up to 200% of the target number of PSUs (the Maximum PSUs) over a period with two separate performance segments. The first segment measures performance at the end of the second fiscal year within the Performance Period against performance in the Base Year. The second segment measures performance at the end of the third fiscal year of the Performance Period against performance in the Base Year. Up to 50% of the Maximum PSUs may be earned in respect of the first performance segment and up to 100% of the Maximum PSUs may be earned in respect of the first performance segment.

The number of PSUs earned, according to the specified formula in the Operating Performance PSU Agreement, will be determined based on a comparison of the Company s performance during each performance segment ending during the Performance Period with respect to Percentage Revenue Growth and Percentage Operating Income Growth (the Performance Goals) as compared to the performance of specified peer companies during each performance segment of the Operating Performance Period with respect to the same Performance Goals.

If the executive s continuous service with the Company or any of its affiliates as an employee, consultant or director (a Business Relationship) ceases for any reason prior to the end of the Performance Period, any then unearned PSUs will be forfeited; provided, however, if the executive s Business Relationship ceases by reason of death or Disability or by reason of the Company s termination of the executive without Good Cause, he or she will be entitled to payment of a pro rata portion of the earned PSUs for the performance segment in which the Business Relationship ceased.

If a Change in Control occurs, and provided the executive s Business Relationship has not ceased, the Committee may determine that either (i) all of the shares underlying the award that have not previously been paid or earned will be treated as earned (x) to the Target Performance Share Unit level if the Change in Control occurs during the first two fiscal years of the Performance Period or (y) based on the Company s performance as of the last day of the most recently completed fiscal quarter before the date that the Change in Control occurs if the Change in Control occurs during the third fiscal year in the Performance Period, and will be paid out in a single lump sum within 30 days following the Change in Control, or (ii) the Operating Performance PSUs will be continued, assumed, converted or substituted for immediately following a Change in Control, using restricted stock of the Company, Parent Corporation or Surviving Corporation.

The foregoing description of the terms of the Operating PSU awards and the Operating PSU Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the provisions of the form of Operating PSU Agreement filed as Exhibit 99.2 to this Form 8-K.

TSR PSUs and the Form of TSR PSU Agreement

The Committee authorized the grant to each Executive Officer of a TSR PSU award. Each TSR PSU represents the right to receive in the future one share of the Company s common stock, or at the Company s election, the value of such share, according to a formula specified in, and subject to the terms and conditions of, the form of TSR PSU agreement (the TSR PSU Agreement) filed as Exhibit 99.3 hereto. Capitalized terms not defined in this summary are defined in the TSR PSU Agreement.

Except as set forth below, the terms of the TSR PSU Agreement are substantially similar to the terms of the Company s form of Performance Share Unit Agreement (Fiscal Year 2010 SPP Form) filed as Exhibit 99.1 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 29, 2009 (the June 2009 Form 8-K). The summary of such terms in the June 2009 Form 8-K is incorporated by reference herein.

Under the TSR PSU Agreement, an executive will be granted an award for a target number of PSUs, and depending on the Company s TSR performance over a thirty-six month period (the TSR Performance Period), the executive may earn up to 200% of the target number of PSUs. The number of PSUs earned, according to the formula specified in the TSR PSU Agreement, will be determined based on Red Hat s TSR performance measured against the TSR of specified peer companies during the TSR Performance Period. Stock price performance is measured by the change in the average price of common stock calculated over the ninety-day periods ending at both the beginning and the end of the TSR Performance Period. TSR is determined by measuring stock price performance plus any cash dividends payable with respect to a record date set, and not rescinded, within the TSR Performance Period.

If the executive s Business Relationship ceases for any reason prior to the end of the Performance Period, any then unearned PSUs will be forfeited; provided, however, if the executive s Business Relationship ceases by reason of death or Disability or by reason of the Company s termination of the executive without Good Cause, he or she will be entitled to payment of a pro rata portion of the earned PSUs for the Performance Period.

If a Change in Control occurs, and provided the executive s Business Relationship has not ceased, the Committee may determine that either (i) all of the shares underlying the award that have not previously been paid or earned will be treated as earned based on the Relative TSR Performance as of the date that the Change in Control occurs using the per share equivalent of the cash consideration and securities paid or payable to the Company or its stockholders in connection with the Change in Control as the Average Closing Price, and will be paid out in a single lump sum within 30 days following the Change in Control, or (ii) the TSR PSUs will be continued, assumed, converted or substituted for immediately following a Change in Control, using restricted stock of the Company, Parent Corporation or Surviving Corporation.

The foregoing description of the terms of the TSR PSU awards and the TSR PSU Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the provisions of the form of TSR PSU Agreement filed as Exhibit 99.3 to this Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

Peer Group

The Peer Group approved by the Committee to be used to measure performance in the award agreements for each of the Operating PSU and the TSR PSU awards in FY2014 is set forth on Exhibit 99.4 to this Form 8-K.

RSAs and the Form of RSA Agreement

The Committee authorized the grant to each Executive Officer of a RSA award, subject to the terms and conditions of, the form of RSA Agreement (the RSA Agreement) filed as Exhibit 99.5 hereto. An executive s right to receive the shares subject to a RSA award is subject to achievement of a specified dollar amount of revenues established by the Committee as the performance objective for FY2014 under the Company s 2011 Performance Compensation Plan (the RSA Performance Goal). Except as set forth below, the terms of the RSA Agreement are substantially similar to the terms of the Company s Performance RSA Agreement filed as Exhibit 99.4 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 25, 2010 (the May 2010 Form 8-K). The summary of such terms in the May 2010 Form 8-K is incorporated by reference herein.

If the Company fails to achieve the RSA Performance Goal for FY2014, then all shares of restricted stock subject to the award are forfeited. If the Company achieves the Performance Goal for FY2014, 25% of the restricted stock vests on July 16, 2014, and the remainder vests ratably on a quarterly basis over the course of the subsequent three year period, provided that the executive s Business Relationship with Red Hat has not ceased.

Capitalized terms not defined in this summary are defined in the form of RSA award agreement filed as Exhibit 99.5 to this Form 8-K. The foregoing description of the terms of the RSA Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the provisions of the form of RSA Agreement filed as Exhibit 99.5 to this Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

See Exhibit Index attached hereto.

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: May 29, 2013 RED HAT, INC.

By: /s/ R. Brandon AsbillName: R. Brandon AsbillTitle: Assistant Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Executive Base Salaries and Target Award Amounts under Red Hat, Inc. s Executive Variable Compensation Plan for the Fiscal Year Ending February 28, 2014
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99.4	Peer Group for PSUs Granted in FY2014
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