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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-1004

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

March 17, 2005
Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported)

HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 1-4423 94-1081436

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3000 HANOVER STREET, PALO ALTO, CA

94304

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip code)

(650) 857-1501

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On March 17, 2005, the HR and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the HRC) of Hewlett-Packard Company (HP) approved the Hewlett-Packard Company 2005 Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (the EDCP). The EDCP was adopted in connection with the enactment of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which was implemented under the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004. The EDCP will be used in lieu of the Hewlett-Packard Company Executive Deferred Compensation Plan for all amounts deferred on or after January 1, 2005. A copy of the EDCP is filed with this report as Exhibit 10.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Also on March 17, 2005, the HRC approved a form of letter which provides an offset against severance payments of the fair market value at grant date of certain restricted stock and restricted stock unit grants under the Hewlett-Packard Company 2000 Stock Plan and the Hewlett-Packard Company 2004 Stock Incentive Plan. A copy of such form of letter is filed with this report as Exhibit 10.2 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (c) Exhibits
- 10.1 Hewlett-Packard Company 2005 Executive Deferred Compensation Plan
- 10.2 Form of letter regarding severance offset for restricted stock and restricted stock units

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY

DATE: March 21, 2005 By: /s/ Charles N. Charnas

Name: Charles N. Charnas

Title: Vice President, Deputy General Counsel

and Assistant Secretary

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