

TERADYNE INC
Form 8-K
June 01, 2005

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): May 26, 2005

TERADYNE, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Massachusetts
(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

001-06462
(Commission File Number)

04-2272148
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

321 Harrison Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

02118
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (617) 482-2700

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

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 - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 1.01. Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On May 26, 2005, the Board of Directors of Teradyne, Inc. (the Company) approved a plan (the Plan) to accelerate on such date the vesting of certain outstanding, unvested out of the money stock options awarded to employees, officers and other eligible participants under the Company's various stock option plans. The stock options that were accelerated have exercise prices that are in excess of \$13.26, the closing price of the Company's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on May 26, 2005 and range in exercise price from \$13.73 to \$41.37 per share. Options to purchase approximately 7.6 million shares became exercisable immediately as a result of the vesting acceleration.

By implementing the Plan, the Company expects to reduce the effects of the Financial Accounting Standards Board's new standard, Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 123R, Share Based Payment, which requires companies to recognize stock-based compensation expense associated with stock options based on the fair value method.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

TERADYNE, INC.

Dated: June 1, 2005

By: /s/ Gregory R. Beecher

Name: Gregory R. Beecher

Title: V.P. & Chief Financial Officer