

VERISIGN INC/CA
Form 8-K
February 05, 2015

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): January 30, 2015

VERISIGN, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

000-23593
(Commission
File Number)

94-3221585
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

12061 Bluemont Way, Reston, VA
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)
(703) 948-3200
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

20190
(Zip Code)

(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 5, 2015, VeriSign, Inc. (“Verisign” or the “Company”) announced its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended and year ended December 31, 2014, and certain other information, including information on the third quarter 2014 domain name renewal rate. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Item 2.02 of Form 8-K and the Exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Information

Verisign provides quarterly and annual financial statements that are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Along with this information, we typically disclose and discuss certain non-GAAP financial information in our quarterly earnings releases, on investor conference calls and during investor conferences and related events. This non-GAAP financial information does not include the following types of financial measures that are included in GAAP: stock-based compensation, unrealized gain/loss on contingent interest derivative on Subordinated Convertible Debentures, and non-cash interest expense. Non-GAAP net income is decreased by amounts accrued, if any, during the period for contingent interest payable resulting from upside or downside triggers related to the subordinated convertible debentures and is adjusted for a 28 percent tax rate which differs from the GAAP tax rate.

Following the offering of our 4.625% senior notes due 2023 (the “Notes”), we disclose our Adjusted EBITDA for the three months ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 and the year ended December 31, 2014. Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure and is calculated in accordance with the terms of the indenture governing the Notes.

Adjusted EBITDA refers to net income before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, stock-based compensation, unrealized loss (gain) on contingent interest derivative on the Subordinated Convertible Debentures and unrealized loss (gain) on hedging agreements.

All non-GAAP figures for each period presented in Exhibit 99.1 have been conformed to exclude the foregoing items under GAAP.

Management believes that this non-GAAP financial data supplements the GAAP financial data by providing investors with additional information that allows them to have a clearer picture of the Company’s operations. The presentation of this additional information is not meant to be considered in isolation nor as a substitute for results prepared in accordance with GAAP. We believe that the non-GAAP information enhances the investors’ overall understanding of our financial performance and the comparability of the Company’s operating results from period to period. In the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, we have provided a reconciliation of the non-GAAP financial information that we provide each quarter with the comparable financial information reported in accordance with GAAP for the given period as well as a reconciliation of consolidated Adjusted EBITDA to consolidated net income, the most directly comparable GAAP measure.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

Effective January 30, 2015, the board of directors of the Company authorized the repurchase of approximately \$453 million of our common stock, in addition to the approximately \$547 million of our common stock remaining available for repurchase under the previous 2014 Share Buyback Program, for a total repurchase of up to \$1 billion of our common stock (collectively, the “2015 Share Buyback Program”) at a price per share and upon such terms and conditions as the Company’s Chief Executive Officer shall determine are reasonable, appropriate and in the best interests of the Company. The 2015 Share Buyback Program has no expiration date. Purchases made under the 2015 Share Buyback Program can be effected through open market transactions, block purchases, accelerated share repurchase agreements or other negotiated transactions.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

| Exhibit Number | Description |
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| 99.1 | Text of press release of VeriSign, Inc. issued on February 5, 2015. |

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.

VERISIGN, INC.

Date: February 5, 2015

By: /s/ Thomas C. Indelicarto
Thomas C. Indelicarto
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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