

QUALCOMM INC/DE
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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

March 23, 2018
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

QUALCOMM Incorporated
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-19528 95-3685934
(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

5775 Morehouse Drive, San Diego, CA 92121
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

858-587-1121
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

On March 6, 2018, QUALCOMM Incorporated (the “Company” or “Qualcomm”) convened and then immediately adjourned its 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the “Annual Meeting”) in compliance with the Interim Order Regarding the Proposed Acquisition of Qualcomm by Broadcom Limited issued by the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States on March 4, 2018, as modified on March 5, 2018, and in accordance with the Company’s Amended and Restated Bylaws (“Bylaws”).

On March 23, 2018, the Company reconvened and held the Annual Meeting in compliance with the Order Regarding the Proposed Takeover of Qualcomm Incorporated by Broadcom Limited issued by the President of the United States of America on March 12, 2018 (the “Presidential Order”), and in accordance with the Company’s Bylaws.

Present at the Annual Meeting, either in person or by proxy, were holders of 1,150,880,725 shares of the Company’s common stock, constituting a quorum of the Company’s outstanding shares. At the Annual Meeting, the Company’s stockholders considered eight proposals, each of which is discussed briefly below and is described in more detail in the Company’s definitive proxy statement dated January 9, 2018, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) on January 5, 2018.

Set forth below are each of the proposals voted upon at the Annual Meeting and the preliminary voting results reported by the Company’s proxy solicitor, Innisfree M&A Incorporated (the “Proxy Solicitor”), based on the information available to the Proxy Solicitor. These results are preliminary estimates only and are subject to change based on the certification of the voting results by the independent Inspector of Election for the Annual Meeting, IVS Associates, Inc. (the “Inspector of Election”). The Company will file an amendment to this Current Report on Form 8-K to disclose the final, certified voting results after receiving such results from the Inspector of Election.

Proposal 1 - Election of Directors

| Nominee | For | Withheld |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Barbara T. Alexander | 750,366,074 | 87,276,232 |
| Jeffrey W. Henderson | 580,118,365 | 257,523,941 |
| Thomas W. Horton | 677,080,683 | 160,561,623 |
| Ann M. Livermore | 607,187,609 | 230,454,697 |
| Harish Manwani | 756,782,662 | 80,859,644 |
| Mark D. McLaughlin | 781,030,572 | 56,611,733 |
| Steve Mollenkopf | 665,886,777 | 171,755,529 |
| Clark T. Randt, Jr. | 764,371,995 | 73,270,311 |
| Francisco Ros | 733,476,429 | 104,165,876 |
| Anthony J. Vinciguerra | 637,848,911 | 199,793,395 |

Following the closing of the polls at the Annual Meeting, the Company was informed by a set of affiliated funds holding Company shares that votes as received by the Company did not reflect the votes that those shareholders had submitted to their voting execution agent. These shareholders had submitted instructions to cast “withhold” votes with respect to the four longest-tenured directors of the Company, including Dr. Paul E. Jacobs (who was not standing for reelection). Instead, “withhold” votes were cast with respect to Dr. Jacobs, Jeffrey W. Henderson, Ann M. Livermore and Anthony J. Vinciguerra. Although corrected instructions were submitted, the shareholders’ revised votes were not received by the Company until after the polls had closed and the Annual Meeting had concluded.

Based on the preliminary results above, the Company estimates that, had the votes been accurately communicated, the votes for these three individuals would have been 735,745,988 “for” and 101,896,318 “withheld” for Mr. Henderson,

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762,815,232 “for” and 74,827,074 “withheld” for Ms. Livermore and 793,476,534 “for” and 44,165,772 “withheld” for Mr. Vincierra.

The total number of broker non-votes with respect to Proposal 1 was 0. Pursuant to the Presidential Order, persons nominated by Broadcom Limited were disqualified from standing for election as directors. Accordingly, the foregoing voting results do not include votes cast for such persons.

The election of directors at the Annual Meeting was a contested election as defined in the Company's Bylaws. Accordingly, the voting standard for the election was a plurality rather than a majority standard, such that the ten nominees with the highest number of "FOR" votes were elected. As a result, each of the foregoing nominees was elected as a director at the Annual Meeting.

Proposal 2 - To ratify the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent public accountants for our fiscal year ending September 30, 2018.

| For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|-----|---------|---------|------------------|
|-----|---------|---------|------------------|

| | | | |
|---------------|------------|------------|---|
| 1,113,992,976 | 18,325,588 | 18,562,161 | 0 |
|---------------|------------|------------|---|

The foregoing proposal required the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the Annual Meeting.

The foregoing proposal was approved.

Proposal 3 - To approve, on an advisory basis, our executive compensation.

| For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|-----|---------|---------|------------------|
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|-------------|-------------|------------|---|
| 914,191,152 | 163,833,840 | 72,855,559 | 0 |
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The foregoing proposal required the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the Annual Meeting.

The foregoing advisory vote was approved.

Proposal 4 - To approve an amendment to the Amended and Restated QUALCOMM Incorporated 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended, to increase the share reserve by 30,000,000 shares.

| For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
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|---------------|------------|------------|---|
| 1,074,362,943 | 38,765,168 | 37,752,400 | 0 |
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The foregoing proposal required the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the Annual Meeting.

The foregoing proposal was approved.

Proposal 5 - To approve an amendment to the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, to eliminate certain supermajority voting provisions relating to removal of directors.

| For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
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|---------------|------------|------------|---|
| 1,120,204,253 | 10,587,227 | 20,089,225 | 0 |
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The foregoing proposal required the affirmative vote of 66 2/3% of the Company's outstanding shares entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

The foregoing proposal was approved.

Proposal 6 - To approve an amendment to the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, to eliminate certain supermajority voting provisions relating to amendments and obsolete provisions.

| For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
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1,120,180,487 10,608,228 20,092,000 0

The foregoing proposal required the affirmative vote of 66 2/3% of the Company's outstanding shares entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

The foregoing proposal was approved.

Proposal 7 - To approve an amendment to the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, to eliminate provisions requiring a supermajority vote for certain transactions with interested stockholders.

For Against Abstain Broker Non-Votes

1,118,572,155 12,001,035 20,307,517 0

The foregoing proposal required the affirmative vote of 66 2/3% of the Company's outstanding shares entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

The foregoing proposal was approved.

Proposal 8 - To approve a stockholder proposal to undo any amendment to the Company's Bylaws adopted without stockholder approval that changes the Bylaws from the version publicly filed with the SEC on July 15, 2016.

For Against Abstain Broker Non-Votes

424,102,636 699,767,084 27,010,971 0

The foregoing proposal required the affirmative vote of 66 2/3% of the Company's outstanding shares entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

The foregoing proposal was not approved.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 22, 2018, the Compensation Committee (the “Committee”) of the Board of Directors of the Company established the performance goals that will be used for the fiscal 2019 (“FY19”) Annual Cash Incentive Plan (“ACIP”) for the Company’s executive officers. As has been the case in previous years, the objective of the FY19 ACIP continues to be to award recipients for annual operating performance that meets or exceeds established targets. While in the past the Committee has used both adjusted revenues and adjusted Earnings Per Share (EPS) as metrics for measuring operating performance under the ACIP, the only operating performance measure to be used for determining FY19 ACIP payments to the Company’s executive officers will be adjusted EPS.

The FY19 ACIP adjusted EPS targets are based on the FY19 EPS numbers published in Qualcomm’s Investor Presentation on January 16, 2018. The FY19 ACIP reflects the following adjusted EPS targets and funding rates:

| Adjusted EPS | Funding Rate (Percentage of Target) |
|------------------|--|
| \$7.50 and above | 200% |
| \$6.75 | 100% |
| \$5.25 and below | 0% |

Funding rates for FY19 adjusted EPS between \$7.50 and \$6.75, and between \$6.75 and \$5.25, will be interpolated linearly. The funding range from 0 to 200%, which has applied to ACIPs for previous fiscal years, is intended to encompass appropriate upside rewards and downside performance risks. Consistent with past practice, the Committee anticipates establishing the FY19 ACIP for the Company’s executive officers in December 2018.

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.

QUALCOMM
Incorporated

Date: March 29, 2018 By: /s/
Michelle
Sterling
Michelle
Sterling
Executive
Vice
President,
Human
Resources