EQUINIX INC Form 8-K March 01, 2011

# 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): February 23, 2011

# EQUINIX, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Delaware** (State or Other Jurisdiction

000-31293 (Commission File Number) 77-0487526 (I.R.S. Employer

of Incorporation)

**Identification Number**)

One Lagoon Drive, 4th Floor

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(Addresses, including zip code, and telephone numbers, including area code, of principal executive offices)

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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.

On February 23, 2011, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Equinix, Inc. ( Equinix ) approved the Equinix 2011 Incentive Plan (the 2011 Plan ) for eligible employees of Equinix, including executive officers, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011.

Under the 2011 Plan, an annual target bonus amount has been assigned to each executive officer. The annual target bonus amounts under the 2011 Plan range from 55-110% of each executive s base salary, depending on the executive s position. The actual annual bonus is determined on the basis of Equinix s performance against revenue (weighted at 25%) and adjusted EBITDA (weighted at 75%) goals, as set forth in the Board of Directors-approved operating plan, adjusted from time to time throughout the plan year. The goals will exclude the impact of one-time events affecting the operating plan, such as expansion projects or acquisitions not contemplated in the operating plan, and will exclude the impact of fluctuations in foreign currencies against the foreign currency rates applied in the operating plan. 100% of the 2011 Plan will be funded if the revenue and adjusted EBITDA goals are met. For every 1% below operating plan for revenue, the revenue portion of the bonus pool shall be reduced by 20% and for every 1% below operating plan for adjusted EBITDA, the adjusted EBITDA portion of the bonus pool shall be reduced by 20%. No bonuses will be paid if revenue and adjusted EBITDA are 95% or less of the approved operating plan goals. In addition, at its discretion the Compensation Committee may reduce or eliminate the actual award that otherwise would be payable should economic conditions warrant it. Under the 2011 Plan, each executive officer will receive any bonus earned in the form of fully-vested restricted stock units to be issued in 2012 on the date of payment of the bonus.

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#### **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.

EQUINIX, INC.

DATE: March 1, 2011

By: /s/ Keith D. Taylor

Keith D. Taylor

Chief Financial Officer

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