

Bazaarvoice Inc
Form SC TO-C
April 15, 2016

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO
(Rule 13e-4)

TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(1) OR 13(e)(1)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

BAZAARVOICE, INC.
(Name of Subject Company (Issuer) and Filing Person (Offeror))

Options to Purchase Shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share
(Title of Class of Securities)

073271108
(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities Underlying Common Stock)

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(Name, address and telephone number of person authorized to receive notices and communications on behalf of filing person)

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CALCULATION OF FILING FEE

Transaction valuation*

Amount of filing fee*

Not applicable*

Not applicable*

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“ third party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.

Issuer tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4.

“ going-private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3.

“ amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the tender offer. “

On April 15, 2016, Bazaarvoice, Inc. (the “Company”) filed a Preliminary Proxy Statement for a Special Meeting of Stockholders to be held on June 23, 2016 (the “Proxy Statement”), which, among other things, contains a proposal to be submitted to the Company’s stockholders to approve a one-time option exchange program (the “Option Exchange Program”) pursuant to which employees of the Company (excluding named executive officers and directors) who hold options to purchase shares of the Company’s common stock with exercise prices equal to or greater than the 52-week high trading price of our common stock (such options, “Eligible Options”) will be given the opportunity to exchange such Eligible Options for a lesser number of stock options having an exercise price per share equal to the market closing price on the date of grant.

The attached written communication (the “Email”) was disseminated by the Company on the afternoon of April 15, 2016 in connection with the proposed Option Exchange Program.

The attached Email does not constitute an offer to holders of eligible options to exchange such options. The Option Exchange Program described in the Proxy Statement and the Email has not yet commenced. The Option Exchange Program will commence, if at all, only if stockholders approve the Option Exchange Program. Even if the requisite stockholder approval is obtained, the Company may still decide later not to implement the Option Exchange Program. Persons who are eligible to participate in the Option Exchange Program should read the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO and other related materials when those materials become available because they will contain important information about the Option Exchange Program. The Company will file the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) upon the commencement of the Option Exchange Program. The Company’s stockholders and option holders will be able to obtain these written materials and other documents filed by the Company with the SEC free of charge from the SEC’s website at www.sec.gov. Eligible holders of the Company’s options may obtain a written copy of the tender offer documents free of charge, when available, by contacting the Chief Legal Officer, General Counsel and Secretary at Bazaarvoice, Inc., 10901 Stonelake Blvd, Austin, Texas 78759.

ITEM 12. EXHIBITS.

99.1 E-mail to Employees from Gene Austin, disseminated on the afternoon of April 15, 2016.