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# 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) October 3, 2006

# **ACTIVISION, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

#### Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-15839

(Commission File Number)

3100 Ocean Park Boulevard, Santa Monica, CA (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

95-4803544

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**90405** (Zip Code)

(310) 255-2000

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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

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- o 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 October 3, 2006, Activision, Inc. (the Company) announced that Brian Hodous will serve as the Chief Customer Officer of Activision Publishing, Inc. (Activision Publishing), the holding company for the Company sactive subsidiaries. The Company expects Mr. Hodous to begin his employment on November 3, 2006.

Mr. Hodous and Activision Publishing entered into an employment agreement on October 3, 2006 (the Agreement), which will be effective on the date Mr. Hodous begins his employment. The Agreement has an initial term of three years. Mr. Hodous will receive an annual base salary of \$375,000 until he relocates from the United Kingdom to the United States, at which point his minimum annual base salary will increase to \$450,000 and shall remain subject to annual review. Mr. Hodous may also be entitled to an annual bonus of up to 75% of the amount of his base salary and is guaranteed a bonus of \$230,000 for the current fiscal year. Mr. Hodous will also receive a signing bonus of \$150,000.

On the effective date of the Agreement, Mr. Hodous will receive options to purchase an aggregate of 240,000 shares of the Company s common stock, which will vest in three equal installments on the first, second, and third anniversary of that date. The options will have an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the Company s stock on the date of the grant and will be governed by Activision s standard form of award agreement.

Mr. Hodous will also be granted 21,000 shares of restricted stock on the effective date of the Agreement, which will vest in their entirety on the third anniversary of that date (subject to accelerated vesting if Mr. Hodous achieves certain performance objectives). In addition, in consideration for his abandoning certain benefits with his prior employer and foregoing certain other executive opportunities and related equity participations, Mr. Hodous will be granted an additional 25,000 shares of restricted stock, which will vest in two equal installments on the first and second anniversary of the effective date.

The Agreement contains other provisions and provides for other benefits that are customary in the employment agreements of similarly situated executives.

A copy of the press release announcing Mr. Hodous s appointment is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

No. Description of Exhibit

99.1 Press Release, dated October 3, 2006

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### ACTIVISION, INC.

By: /s/ Michael Griffith

Name: Michael Griffith

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer of

Activision Publishing, Inc.

Date: October 3, 2006

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