
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): July 26, 2005

ACME UNITED CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Connecticut 001-07698 06-0236700 (State of Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) (Commission (IRS Employer Identification)

1931 Black Rock Turnpike, Fairfield, Connecticut (Address of principal executive offices)

06825 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 332-7330

N/A

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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This Current Report on Form 8-K is being filed by Acme United Corporation (the "Company") solely to report the information set forth in Item 1 hereof.

Item 1. Registrant's Business and Operations

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On July 26, 2005, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors awarded cash bonuses to officers and other members of the Company's management. These bonuses constitute a portion of the annual cash bonuses which the Compensation Committee estimates will be payable to such persons for services rendered during fiscal 2005. The Company will pay the cash bonuses on August 1, 2005. The cash bonuses awarded to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and the four remaining most highly paid executive officers are as follows:

Walter Johnsen, President and CEO, \$100,000; Brian Olschan, Executive Vice President, \$75,000; Paul Driscoll, Chief Financial Officer, \$40,000; James Benkovic, Vice President of Sales, \$40,000; and Larry Buchtmann, Vice President of Operations and Technology, \$10,000.

Signature

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 thereunto duly authorized.

ACME UNITED CORPORATION

Date: July 28, 2005 By: /s/ Paul G. Driscoll

Paul G. Driscoll Vice President and Chief Financial Officer