

CORRECTIONS CORP OF AMERICA  
Form 8-K  
February 25, 2011

**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): February 25, 2011 (February 23, 2011)  
Corrections Corporation of America**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

001-16109

62-1763875

(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10 Burton Hills Boulevard, Nashville, Tennessee 37215

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)  
(615) 263-3000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)  
Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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  - 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 February 23, 2011, after consideration of presentations and recommendations of management and an independent compensation consultant, and such other matters and information as deemed appropriate, the Compensation Committee (the Committee) of the Board of Directors of Corrections Corporation of America (the Company) approved resolutions with respect to the following actions:

*2011 Cash Incentive Plan.* The Company's 2011 Cash Incentive Plan is intended to provide incentives to members of management, including the Company's named executive officers, in the form of cash incentive compensation payments for achieving certain performance goals established by the Committee. The performance awards will be based upon the Company's achievement of previously established earnings per share (EPS) goals for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011. Actual awards can range from zero to a maximum of 200% of such participant's base salary. The Committee will administer and make all determinations under the 2011 Cash Incentive Plan. Adjustments to the EPS figures used for cash compensation purposes will be made for specified limited non-operating events outside the ordinary course.

*Restricted Stock Units and Stock Option Awards to Certain Executive Officers.* Restricted stock units and non-qualified options for the purchase of the Company's common stock were granted to the persons who are anticipated to constitute the named executive officers of the Company for 2011, pursuant to the Company's 2008 Stock Incentive Plan (the 2008 Plan), as follows:

| <b>Name</b>       | <b>Title</b>   | <b>Number of Restricted Stock Units</b> | <b>Shares Subject to Option Grant</b> |
|-------------------|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| Damon T. Hininger | President and Chief Executive Officer                      | 36,149                                  | 91,287                                |
| Todd J Mullenger  | Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer       | 17,404                                  | 43,950                                |
| Richard P. Seiter | Executive Vice President and Chief Corrections Officer     | 17,404                                  | 43,950                                |
| Anthony L. Grande | Executive Vice President and Chief Development Officer     | 17,404                                  | 43,950                                |
| Steven E. Groom   | Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary    | 14,333                                  | 36,194                                |
| Brian D. Collins  | Executive Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer | 14,333                                  | 36,194                                |

The restricted stock units are subject to vesting over a three year period based upon satisfaction of certain performance criteria for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2011, 2012 and 2013 as established by the Committee. No more than one third of such shares may vest in the first performance period; however, the performance criteria are cumulative for the three year period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the restricted stock units will become fully vested upon the occurrence of death, Disability, or a Change in Control of the Company (each such condition as defined in the 2008 Plan). The restricted stock unit awards are subject to the terms of the 2008 Plan and individual award agreements. The stock options shall vest in equal one third increments as of the first, second and third anniversary dates of the grant date, subject to acceleration as contemplated by the 2008 Plan. The options are subject to the terms of the 2008 Plan and individual award agreements. The exercise price per share of the shares subject to the option grants is \$24.42, the reported closing price on the NYSE Composite Tape on February 23, 2011.

**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, hereunto duly authorized.

Date: February 25, 2011

CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF  
AMERICA

By: /s/ Todd J Mullenger  
Todd J Mullenger  
Executive Vice President and Chief  
Financial Officer