

SEACHANGE INTERNATIONAL INC
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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): January 6, 2010

SEACHANGE INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE
(State or Other Jurisdiction of

Incorporation or Organization)

0-21393
(Commission

File Number)

04-3197974
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

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50 Nagog Park, Acton, MA
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

01720
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: (978) 897-0100

No change since last report

(Former Name or 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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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On January 6, 2010, SeaChange International, Inc. ("SeaChange") entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") with Vividlogic, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Vividlogic"), Vulcan Acquisition, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of SeaChange (the "Merger Sub"), and Shiva Patibanda as the initial Stockholder Representative. The Merger Agreement has been approved by the boards of directors of SeaChange and Vividlogic, and, subsequent to signing, by the stockholders of Vividlogic. Approval by the SeaChange stockholders is not required in connection with the transaction.

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, the Merger Sub will merge with and into Vividlogic (the "Merger"), with Vividlogic continuing after the Merger as the surviving corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of SeaChange. At the effective time of the Merger, each outstanding share of Vividlogic 's capital stock will convert into the right to receive its portion of the following cash amounts, each as specified in the Merger Agreement:

\$10,800,000 paid at closing;

\$1,200,000 deposited in escrow at closing with respect to specified indemnification matters;

Net working capital at closing in an amount estimated to be \$8.6 million, with \$3.9 million paid at closing, \$1.3 million paid on each of May 1, 2010 and August 1, 2010, and \$2 million paid on the one year anniversary of closing;

\$3,000,000 in deferred merger consideration, with \$1,000,000 paid on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the closing; and

earnout payments based on the operating performance of Vividlogic, measured by EBIT (earnings before interest and taxes) (as defined in the Merger Agreement), on a cumulative and one-year performance target basis for the periods ended January 31, 2011, 2012 and 2013.

The Merger Agreement includes customary representations, warranties and covenants by the parties. Consummation of the Merger is subject to customary conditions, including, among other things: (i) the accuracy of representations made by Vividlogic in the Merger Agreement, and (ii) the material performance by Vividlogic of its obligations under the Merger Agreement.

Payments under the Merger Agreement subsequent to closing are subject to reduction should there have been a breach of the representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained in the Merger Agreement. In addition, in limited circumstances, amounts paid at closing are subject to forfeiture should there have been a breach of certain specified representations, warranties and covenants contained in the Merger Agreement.

All of Vividlogic 's employees will be offered continuing employment with SeaChange subsequent to the closing. In connection with the acquisition, each of Shiva Patibanda, the CEO of Vividlogic, and Ram Balaraman, the CTO of Vividlogic, have entered into Non-Competition Agreements with SeaChange that provide for a noncompete period of five years subsequent to closing, in the case of Mr. Patibanda, and the earlier of two years subsequent to closing and one year subsequent to termination of employment, in the case of Mr. Balaraman.

The terms of the Merger Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby are the result of arm 's length negotiation among the parties.

The foregoing description of the Merger Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Merger Agreement, which is attached as Exhibit 2.1 to this report and is incorporated in this report by reference. A copy of SeaChange 's press release announcing the transaction is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The Merger Agreement has been attached as an exhibit to provide investors and security holders with information regarding its terms. It is not intended to provide any other factual information about SeaChange, the Merger Sub or Vividlogic. The representations, warranties and covenants contained in the Merger Agreement were made only for the purposes of such agreement and as of specified dates, were solely for the benefit of the parties to such agreement, and may be subject to limitations agreed upon by the contracting parties. Certain of the representations and warranties have been made for the purposes of allocating contractual risk between the parties to the agreement instead of establishing these matters as facts. Investors are not third-party beneficiaries under the Merger Agreement. In addition, the representations and warranties contained in the Merger Agreement (i) are qualified by information in a confidential disclosure schedule that the parties have exchanged, (ii) were made only as of the date of such agreement or a prior, specified date, and (iii) in some cases are subject to qualifications with respect to materiality, knowledge and/or other matters, including standards of materiality applicable to the contracting parties that differ from those applicable to investors. Moreover, information concerning the subject matter of the representations and warranties may change after the date of the Merger Agreement, which subsequent information may or may not be fully reflected in SeaChange's or Vividlogic's public disclosures. Accordingly, investors should not rely on the representations and warranties as characterizations of the actual state of facts or condition of SeaChange or Vividlogic or any of their respective subsidiaries or affiliates.

Safe Harbor for Forward-Looking Statements

Statements in this Current Report on Form 8-K may contain, in addition to historical information, certain forward-looking statements. All statements included in this Current Report on Form 8-K concerning activities, events or developments that SeaChange expects, believes or anticipates will or may occur in the future are forward-looking statements. Actual results could differ materially from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and projections about future events and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results and performance to be materially different from any future results or performance expressed or implied by forward-looking statements, including the risk that the Merger will not close.

Further information on factors that could cause actual results to differ from those anticipated is detailed in various publicly available documents made by SeaChange from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including but not limited to, those appearing at Item 1A under the caption "Risk Factors" in SeaChange's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Commission on April 14, 2009. Any forward-looking statements should be considered in light of those factors. SeaChange cautions readers not to place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements, which speak as of the date they are made.

SeaChange disclaims any obligation to publicly update or revise any such statements to reflect any change in SeaChange's expectations or events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statements may be based, or that may affect the likelihood that actual results may differ from those set forth in the forward-looking statements.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

The following Exhibits are furnished as part of this report:

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 2.1 | Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of January 6, 2010, by and among SeaChange International, Inc., Vividlogic, Inc., Vulcan Acquisition, Inc. and Shiva Patibanda in the limited capacity of Stockholder Representative. |
| 99.1 | Press Release, dated as of January 7, 2010, by SeaChange International, Inc. |

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.

SEACHANGE INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: /s/ KEVIN M. BISSON
Kevin M. Bisson
Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer, Secretary and
Senior Vice President, Finance and Administration

Dated: January 7, 2010

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