

CISCO SYSTEMS, INC.  
Form 8-K  
May 04, 2015

**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): May 1, 2015**

**CISCO SYSTEMS, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**California**

**(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)**

**0-18225**  
**(Commission)**

**77-0059951**  
**(IRS Employer)**

**File Number)**

**Identification No.)**

**170 West Tasman Drive, San Jose, California**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**95134-1706**  
**(Zip Code)**

**(408) 526-4000**

**(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))

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On May 1, 2015, the Board of Directors (the Board) of Cisco Systems, Inc. (Cisco) appointed Charles H. Robbins as Chief Executive Officer effective July 26, 2015. Mr. Robbins was also elected to the Board effective May 1, 2015. It has not yet been determined on which Board committees, if any, Mr. Robbins will serve.

In connection with the appointment of Mr. Robbins, John T. Chambers notified the Board of his decision to step down as Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Chambers will continue to serve as the Chairman of Cisco's Board and will assume the role of Executive Chairman on July 26, 2015. The Board will approve the compensation of Mr. Chambers and Mr. Robbins in connection with their new roles at a later date.

Mr. Robbins, 49, joined Cisco in December 1997, from which time until March 2002 he held a number of managerial positions within Cisco's sales organization. Mr. Robbins was promoted to Vice President in March 2002, assuming leadership of Cisco's U.S. channel sales organization. Additionally, in July 2005 he assumed leadership of Cisco's Canada channel sales organization. In December 2007, Mr. Robbins was promoted to Senior Vice President, U.S. Commercial, and in August 2009 he was appointed Senior Vice President, U.S. Enterprise, Commercial and Canada. In July 2011, Mr. Robbins was named Senior Vice President, Americas. In October 2012, Mr. Robbins was promoted to Senior Vice President, Worldwide Field Operations.

**SIGNATURES**

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.

**CISCO SYSTEMS, INC.**

Dated: May 4, 2015

By: /s/ Evan Sloves  
Name: Evan Sloves  
Title: Assistant Secretary