VIASAT INC Form S-8 September 27, 2010

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Registration No. 333-____

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

VIASAT, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

33-0174996

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

6155 El Camino Real Carlsbad, California 92009 (760) 476-2200

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

1996 Equity Participation Plan of ViaSat, Inc.

(Full Title of the Plan)

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Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
ViaSat, Inc.
6155 El Camino Real
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(Name, Address and Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Agent for Service)

Copies to:

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer b

Accelerated filer o

Non-accelerated filer o
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company o

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

		Proposed	Proposed Maximum		
	Amount	Maximum Offering	Aggregate	Amount of	
Title of Each Class of	to be Registered	Price Per	Offering	Registration	
Securities to be Registered	(1) (2) 4,800,000	Share	Price	Fee	
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value	shares	\$38.99(3)	\$187,152,000.0	00 \$13,343.94	

Rule 416 under the Securities

(1) Pursuant to

Act of 1933, as amended (the

Securities Act),

this registration statement also

registers an

indeterminate

number of

additional

shares that may

be issued

pursuant to the

1996 Equity

Participation

Plan of ViaSat,

Inc. (the Plan)

as the result of

any future stock

dividend, stock

split,

recapitalization

or any other

similar

transaction

effected without

the receipt of

consideration

which results in

an increase in

the number of

outstanding

shares of

ViaSat, Inc.

(ViaSat) common stock.

(2) Covers 4,800,000 additional shares of ViaSat common stock available for issuance under the Plan pursuant to an amendment to the Plan approved by the stockholders of ViaSat on September 22, 2010. The Plan authorizes the issuance of a maximum of 17,400,000 shares of common stock. However, the offer and sale of 12,600,000 shares of common stock, which have been or may be issued under the Plan, have previously been registered pursuant to prior Form S-8 registration statements (Commission File Nos. 333-21113, 333-68757, 333-67010, 333-109959 and 333-153828).

(3) The Proposed Maximum Offering Price

Per Share has been estimated in accordance with Rules 457(c) and (h) under the Securities Act solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee. The computation is based upon the average of the high and low prices of ViaSat common stock as reported on the Nasdaq Global Select Market on September 20, 2010, because the offering price of the securities to be granted in the future is not currently

determinable.

Proposed sales to take place as soon after the effective date of the registration statement as awards granted under the Plan are granted, exercised and/or distributed.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This registration statement on Form S-8 is filed by ViaSat to register an additional 4,800,000 shares of ViaSat common stock for issuance under the Plan pursuant to an amendment to the Plan approved by the stockholders of ViaSat on September 22, 2010. In accordance with Instruction E to Form S-8, the contents of the prior Form S-8 registration statements (Commission File Nos. 333-21113, 333-68757, 333-67010, 333-109959 and 333-153828) are incorporated herein by reference.

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

The documents containing the information specified in Part I of Form S-8 will be sent or given to participants as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) of the Securities Act. These documents and the documents incorporated by reference into this registration statement pursuant to Item 3 of Part II of this registration statement, taken together, constitute a prospectus that meets the requirements of Section 10(a) of the Securities Act.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

ViaSat hereby incorporates the following documents in this registration statement by reference:

- (a) ViaSat s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended April 2, 2010 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on June 1, 2010, as amended by Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K/A filed with the SEC on August 3, 2010;
- (b) ViaSat s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended July 2, 2010;
- (c) ViaSat s Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 26, 2010, August 4, 2010 and September 24, 2010;
- (d) All other reports filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) since the end of the fiscal year covered by ViaSat s Annual Report on Form 10-K referred to in clause (a) above; and
- (e) The description of ViaSat common stock set forth in ViaSat s registration statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on November 20, 1996, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

In addition, all documents filed by ViaSat pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the filing of this registration statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which de-registers all securities then remaining unsold shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this registration statement and to be a part hereof from the date of filing such documents, except as to specific sections of such statements as set forth therein. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this registration statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is incorporated or deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this registration statement to the extent that a statement contained in any subsequently filed document which also is incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or superseded for purposes of this registration statement to the extent that a statement contained in any subsequently filed document which also is incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this registration statement.

Under no circumstances shall any information furnished under Item 2.02 or 7.01 of Form 8-K be deemed incorporated herein by reference unless such Form 8-K expressly provides to the contrary.

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Item 8. Exhibits.

The Exhibit Index on page 5 is incorporated herein by reference as the list of exhibits required as part of this registration statement.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that the registrant meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Carlsbad, State of California, on September 27, 2010.

ViaSat, Inc.

By: /s/ Mark D. Dankberg
Mark D. Dankberg
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Mark D. Dankberg and Keven K. Lippert, jointly and severally, his attorneys-in-fact, each with the full power of substitution, for him in any and all capacities, to sign this registration statement, and any amendments thereto (including post-effective amendments), and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming all that each of said attorneys-in-fact, or his substitute or substitutes, may do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this registration statement has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date	
/s/ Mark D. Dankberg	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer	September 27, 2010	
Mark D. Dankberg	(Principal Executive Officer)		
/s/ Ronald G. Wangerin	Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	September 27, 2010	
Ronald G. Wangerin	(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)		
/s/ Robert W. Johnson	Director	September 27, 2010	
Robert W. Johnson			
	Director		
B. Allen Lay			
/s/ Jeffrey M. Nash	Director	September 27, 2010	
Jeffrey M. Nash			
/s/ John P. Stenbit	Director	September 27, 2010	
John P. Stenbit			
/s/ Michael B. Targoff	Director	September 27, 2010	

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Michael B. Targoff

/s/ Harvey P. White Director September 27, 2010

Harvey P. White

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Exhibit		Incorporated by Reference				Filed
Number	Exhibit Description	Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date	Herewith
5.1	Opinion of Latham &					X
	Watkins LLP					
10.1	1996 Equity Participation	8-K	000-21767	10.1	9/24/2010	
	Plan of ViaSat, Inc. (As					
	Amended and Restated					
	Effective September 22,					
10.2	2010) Form of Stock Option	8-K	000-21767	10.2	10/2/2008	
10.2	Agreement for the 1996	0-10	000-21707	10.2	10/2/2000	
	Equity Participation Plan of					
	ViaSat, Inc.					
10.3	Form of Restricted Stock	8-K	000-21767	10.3	10/2/2008	
	Unit Award Agreement for					
	the 1996 Equity Participation					
	Plan of ViaSat, Inc.					
10.4	Form of Executive Restricted	8-K	000-21767	10.4	10/2/2008	
	Stock Unit Award Agreement					
	for the 1996 Equity					
	Participation Plan of ViaSat,					
	Inc.	0.17	000 01767	10.2	10/5/2000	
10.5	Form of Non-Employee Director Restricted Stock	8-K	000-21767	10.3	10/5/2009	
	Unit Award Agreement for					
	the 1996 Equity Participation					
	Plan of ViaSat, Inc.					
23.1	Consent of Independent					X
	Registered Public					
	Accounting Firm					
23.2	Consent of Latham &					X
	Watkins LLP (included in					
	Exhibit 5.1 hereto)					
24.1	Power of Attorney (see					X
	signature page)					

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