

EPOCRATES INC
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC			(Month/Day/Year)	EPOCRATES INC [EPOC]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	02/01/2011		
200 WEST STREET			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
NEW YORK,Â NYÂ 10282			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below)		<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	3,017,274	I	See footnote <u>(1)</u>

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (2)	12/16/2019	Common Stock	15,720 (2) \$ 10.17		I	See footnote (2)
Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (3)	10/27/2020	Common Stock	15,720 (3) \$ 13.36		I	See footnote (3)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC 200 WEST STREET NEW YORK, NY 10282	Â	Â X	Â	Â
GOLDMAN SACHS & CO 200 WEST STREET NEW YORK, NY 10282	Â	Â X	Â	Â

Signatures

/s/ Yvette Kotic,
Attorney-in-fact
02/01/2011
**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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Attorney-in-fact
02/01/2011
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Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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Goldman Sachs and GS Group may be deemed to beneficially own 15,720 stock options that were granted to Darren W. Cohen, a managing director of Goldman Sachs who at the time of the grant was a director of the Company (the "Former Director"), in 2009 (2) pursuant to the Epocrates, Inc. 2008 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The 15,720 shares subject to the stock option are fully vested and exercisable. The Former Director has an understanding with Goldman Sachs pursuant to which such shares are held for the benefit of Goldman Sachs.

Goldman Sachs and GS Group may be deemed to beneficially own 15,720 stock options that were granted to the Former Director in 2010 (3) pursuant to the Plan. The 15,720 shares subject to the stock option vest in equal monthly installments over one year from October 1, 2010. The Former Director has an understanding with Goldman Sachs pursuant to which such shares are held for the benefit of Goldman Sachs.

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