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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):

November 29, 2012

NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

000-27038 (Commission

94-3156479 (IRS Employer

incorporation)

File Number)
1 Wayside Road

Identification No.)

Burlington, Massachusetts 01803

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (781) 565-5000

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

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

On November 29, 2012, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Nuance Communications, Inc. approved the payment of the following bonuses pursuant to the company s fiscal 2012 bonus program.

				Fiscal 2012 Actual	
				Bonus	
			Fiscal 2012	Amount	
	Fiscal 2012		Actual	Paid in	Total Value
	Target		Bonus	Restricted	of 2012
	Bonus	Achievement	Amount	Stock	Bonus
Name	Amount(1)	Level	(Cash)	Units	Earned
Paul A. Ricci	\$ 800,000	150%	\$ 1,200,000		\$ 1,200,000
Thomas L. Beaudoin	\$ 337,500	133%		20,398	\$ 450,000
Steven G. Chambers	\$ 375,500	133%		22,665	\$ 500,000
Janet M. Dillione	\$ 350,000	100%		15,865	\$ 350,000
Bill Nelson	\$ 350,000	129%		20,398	\$ 450,000

⁽¹⁾ Bonuses for fiscal 2012 were paid out in cash or restricted stock units, as further detailed in the above table. The amounts reflected in this column represent the payout to each Named Executive Officer if their bonus had been achieved at 100%.

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.

Nuance Communications, Inc.

Date: December 5, 2012 By: /s/ Thomas Beaudoin

Thomas Beaudoin, Chief Financial Officer