

Activision Blizzard, Inc.
Form S-8 POS
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Registration No. 333-103323

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Under

The Securities Act of 1933

ACTIVISION BLIZZARD, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

94-4803544
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

3100 Ocean Park Boulevard

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Santa Monica, California 90405

(Address of principal executive offices)

Activision, Inc. 2002 Studio Employee Retention Incentive Plan

(Full title of the plan)

Chris B. Walther

Chief Legal Officer

Activision Blizzard, Inc.

3100 Ocean Park Boulevard

Santa Monica, California 90405

(Name and address of agent for service)

(310) 255-2059

(Telephone number, including area code,

of agent for service)

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. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer ☒ X

Accelerated filer ☐ O

Non-accelerated filer ☐ O

Smaller reporting company ☐ O

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Partial Deregistration of Securities

Activision Blizzard, Inc. (the "Company") is filing this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-8 Registration Statement (the "Amendment") in order to deregister certain securities originally registered by the Company pursuant to its Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 19, 2003, file number 333-103323 (the "2003 Form S-8") for offer or sale pursuant to the Company's 2002 Studio Employee Retention Incentive Plan (the "2002 Studio Plan"). A total of 12,000,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock were registered under the 2003 Form S-8.

On September 27, 2007, the stockholders of the Company adopted the Activision, Inc. 2007 Incentive Plan and, pursuant to the terms thereof, the Company ceased making awards under the 2002 Studio Plan. The total number of shares of Common Stock available for grant under the 2002 Studio Plan and registered under the 2001 Form S-8, but not actually subject to outstanding awards as of the date of this Amendment, is 8,342 (the "Excess Shares"). In accordance with the undertaking contained in the Registration Statement(s) pursuant to Item 512(a)(3) of Regulation S-K, the Company is filing this Amendment to remove from registration, by means of a post-effective amendment, the Excess Shares.

The foregoing numbers reflect two 3-for-2 stock splits completed by the Company in June of 2003 and February of 2004, respectively, two 4-for-3 stock splits completed by the Company in March of 2005 and October of 2005, respectively, and a 2-for-1 stock split completed by the Company in September of 2008, the result of which was that every one share of the Company's pre-split Common Stock, with a par value of \$.000001 per share, registered on the 2003 Form S-8, was converted into eight shares of post-split Common Stock.

The 2003 Form S-8 will remain in effect as to the 2002 Studio Plan to cover the potential issuance of shares of Common Stock upon the exercise of outstanding awards.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing a post-effective amendment to Form S-8 and has duly caused this amendment to its registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized in the City of Santa Monica, State of California, on December 21, 2015.

ACTIVISION BLIZZARD, INC.

By: /s/ Jeffrey A. Brown
Jeffrey A. Brown
Secretary