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BROOKS AUTOMATION INC Form 8-K January 21, 2010

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): January 21, 2010 BROOKS AUTOMATION, INC.

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

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-25434 04-3040660

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

15 Elizabeth Drive, Chelmsford, MA

01824

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (978) 262-2400.

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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ITEM 8.01 Other Events.

In connection with a review of its executive compensation practices, Brooks Automation, Inc. has determined that effective immediately, it will not enter into any new or materially amended agreements with named executive officers providing for excise tax gross-up provisions with respect to payments contingent upon a change in control.

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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.

BROOKS AUTOMATION, INC.

/s/ Thomas S. Grilk
Thomas S. Grilk
Senior Vice President, General Counsel
and Secretary

Date: January 21, 2010