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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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): March 16, 2016

EQUINIX, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction

000-31293 (Commission

77-0487526 (I.R.S. Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number) One Lagoon Drive, 4th Floor **Identification Number)**

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Redwood City, California 94065

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(Addresses of principal executive offices)

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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.

Effective March 16, 2016, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the Board) of Equinix, Inc. (Equinix) approved the Equinix 2016 Incentive Plan (the 2016 Plan) for eligible employees of Equinix, including executive officers, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016.

Under the 2016 Plan, an annual target bonus amount will be assigned to each executive officer. The annual target bonus amounts under the 2016 Plan will be a percentage of each executive s base salary, ranging from 75% to 125% depending on the executive s position, and will be payable in cash. The actual annual bonus is determined on the basis of Equinix s performance against revenue (weighted at 50%) and adjusted funds from operations (AFFO) (weighted at 50%) goals, based on the Board-approved operating plan, including the impact of revenues and AFFO related to both the recently completed TelecityGroup plc and Bit-isle, Inc. acquisitions, adjusted from time to time throughout the plan year (the Goals). The Goals will exclude the impact of one-time events affecting the operating plan, such as expansion projects or acquisitions not contemplated in the approved operating plan, and will exclude the impact of fluctuations in foreign currencies against the foreign currency rates applied in the operating plan. 100% of the 2016 Plan will be funded if the Goals are met. For every 1% below the Goals for revenue, the revenue portion of the bonus pool shall be reduced by 20%, and for every 1% below the Goals for AFFO, the AFFO portion of the bonus pool shall be reduced by 20%. No bonuses will be paid if revenue and AFFO are 95% or less of the Goals. In addition, at its discretion the Compensation Committee may reduce or eliminate the actual award that otherwise would be payable should economic conditions warrant it.

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.

EQUINIX, INC.

DATE: March 21, 2016 By: /s/ Keith D. Taylor

Keith D. Taylor

Chief Financial Officer