

HARVARD BIOSCIENCE INC
Form 8-K
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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): August 9, 2006

HARVARD BIOSCIENCE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

000-31923
(Commission File Number)

04-3306140
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

84 October Hill Road, Holliston, MA 01746

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(508) 893-8999

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 1.01 Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 9, 2006, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Harvard Bioscience, Inc. (the Company) approved salary increases for certain executive officers of the Company that are retroactive to the beginning of 2006 and adopted the Harvard Bioscience, Inc. 2006 Corporate Bonus Plan. The base salary levels established for 2006 for these executive officers are as follows:

Name	Title	2006 Salary
Chane Graziano	Chief Executive Officer	\$ 486,000
David Green	President	\$ 400,000
Bryce Chicoyne	Chief Financial Officer	\$ 200,000
Susan M. Luscinski	Chief Operating Officer	\$ 250,000
Mark A. Norige	Chief Operating Officer, Harvard Apparatus Business Unit	\$ 190,000

Subject to the sole-discretion of the Compensation Committee, the Harvard Bioscience, Inc. 2006 Corporate Bonus Plan provides for cash bonuses to be paid to certain employees of the Company, including Messrs. Graziano, Green and Chicoyne and Ms. Luscinski, if the Company achieves non-GAAP adjusted earnings per diluted share from continuing operations for the year ended December 31, 2006 in excess of a specified target non-GAAP adjusted earnings per diluted share from continuing operations. If the target non-GAAP adjusted earnings per diluted share from continuing operations is achieved, then the Company will create an aggregate bonus pool equal to one-third of its non-GAAP adjusted operating income in excess of the minimum non-GAAP operating income that the Company would have needed in order to achieve the target non-GAAP adjusted earnings per diluted share from continuing operations. The participants under the plan are then entitled to participate in this bonus pool based on the participation percentages established in the plan subject to the sole discretion of the Compensation Committee. Under the plan, the current participation percentages of the executive officers entitled to participate in the plan are approximately as follows:

Name	Title	2006 Corporate Bonus Plan Participation Percentage
Chane Graziano	Chief Executive Officer	43.7%
David Green	President	36.0%
Bryce Chicoyne	Chief Financial Officer	9.0%
Susan M. Luscinski	Chief Operating Officer	11.3%

As the bonus plan is funded with an aggregate bonus pool, the ultimate participation percentages of these executive officers may be greater or less than the percentages set forth above depending on whether any new participants are added to the plan or any existing participants cease to be eligible under the plan. If the target non-GAAP adjusted earnings per diluted share from continuing operations is not achieved, then no bonuses will be paid under the plan unless the Compensation Committee determines otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, under this bonus plan the Compensation Committee reserved the right, in its sole discretion, to reduce or increase the size of any or all bonuses otherwise payable under the plan for any reason. The foregoing summary is

qualified in its entirety by reference to the copy of the Harvard Bioscience, Inc. 2006 Corporate Bonus Plan, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number	Title
99.1	Harvard Bioscience, Inc. 2006 Corporate Bonus Plan

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.

HARVARD BIOSCIENCE, INC.

Date: August 15, 2006

By: /s/ Bryce Chicoyne
Bryce Chicoyne
Chief Financial Officer