

Discovery Holding CO  
Form 8-K  
May 09, 2006

**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): **May 4, 2006**

**DISCOVERY HOLDING COMPANY**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**000-51205**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**20-2471174**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**12300 Liberty Blvd.  
Englewood, Colorado 80112**

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(720) 875-4000**

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement**

On May 4, 2006, the Board of Directors of Discovery Holding Company approved a grant of 10,000 options to purchase shares of Discovery's Series A common stock to each member of the Board who is not an employee of Discovery (each, a nonemployee director). The options were granted under the Discovery Holding Company 2005 Nonemployee Director Incentive Plan and have a per share exercise price of \$14.48, which was the closing price of Discovery's Series A common stock on the grant date. The options vest (i) on the one year anniversary of the grant date, provided that the grantee serves as a nonemployee director on such anniversary, or (ii) upon the earlier termination of the grantee's service as a nonemployee director by reason of death or disability. The options have a term of 10 years, subject to early termination in the event the grantee is terminated as a nonemployee director for cause and certain other specified exceptions.

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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 9, 2006

DISCOVERY HOLDING COMPANY

By: /s/ Christopher W. Shean

Name: Christopher W. Shean

Title: Senior Vice President  
and Controller