INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP Form 8-K February 03, 2012

# 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: January 31, 2012

(Date of earliest event reported)

### INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York (State of Incorporation)

1-2360 (Commission File Number)

13-0871985 (IRS employer Identification No.)

ARMONK, NEW YORK (Address of principal executive offices)

**10504** (Zip Code)

914-499-1900

(Registrant s telephone number)

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#### Item 5.02(e) (Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers)

The following are compensation arrangements for the Company s named executive officers identified in the 2011 Proxy Statement. Information regarding the structure of compensation programs and awards is included in the Company s proxy statement.

	2011 Annual Incentive		2012 Cash Annual Incentive			2012 Long-Term Incentive Award Performance Share		
	Payout		Salary Rate		Target		Units*	
S. J. Palmisano	\$ 6,500,000	\$	1,800,000	\$	N/A	\$	20,000,000	
M. Loughridge	\$ 1,359,800	\$	775,000	\$	1,046,000	\$	4,750,000	
S. A. Mills	\$ 1,258,400	\$	716,000	\$	968,000	\$	5,000,000	
M. E. Daniels	\$ 1,371,800	\$	825,000	\$	1,444,000	\$	5,000,000	
V. M. Rometty	\$ 1,470,000	\$	1,500,000	\$	3,500,000	\$	10,000,000	

<sup>\*</sup> Performance share units will be granted on June 8, 2012. The actual number of units granted on this date will be determined by dividing the value shown above by a predetermined, formulaic Planning Price for the second quarter 2012. These performance share units will be paid out in February 2015 as explained in the Company s proxy statement.

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SIGNATURE
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.
Date: February 3, 2012

By:

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/s/ Maureen Sladek

Maureen Sladek Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary