

HENNESSY ADVISORS INC  
Form 8-K  
January 24, 2013

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) **January 17, 2013**

HENNESSY ADVISORS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**California**                      **000-49872**      **68-0176227**  
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer  
of incorporation)              File Number) Identification No.)

**7250 Redwood Blvd., Suite 200**                      **94945**

**Novato, California**

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: **(415) 899-1555**

**Not Applicable**

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

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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**

The shareholders of Hennessy Advisors, Inc. (“Hennessy Advisors”) approved the Hennessy Advisors, Inc. 2013 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the “Plan”) at the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders held January 17, 2013 (the “Annual Meeting”). Key terms of the Plan are as follows:

Participation: Eligible officers or other employees, outside directors and advisors.  
Shares Authorized: The maximum number of shares which may be issued under the Plan is 50% of the outstanding common stock.  
Share Counting: Shares authorized are depleted by number of granted awards of any type, and shares used to pay exercise price of options or withholding taxes do not replenish shares authorized.  
Award Types: • Stock options;

- Stock appreciation rights;

- Performance shares;

- Performance units;

- Restricted stock;

- Restricted stock units;

- Deferred stock rights;

- Dividend equivalent units;

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- Annual incentive award;
- Long-term incentive award; and
- Other stock-based awards.

Fiscal year limits on awards of:

- options and stock appreciation rights of 50,000 shares;
- restricted stock, restricted stock units and/or deferred stock rights of 50,000 shares;
- performance shares and/or awards of performance units based on the fair market value of common stock of 50,000 shares;

Individual  
Limits:

- performance units not based on the fair market value of common stock of \$100,000;
- other stock-based awards of 50,000 shares;
- annual incentive awards of \$100,000; and
- long-term incentive awards of \$100,000.

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Prohibitions:

- No backdating of options or stock appreciation rights;
- No repricing of options or stock appreciation rights; and

- No discounted options or stock appreciation rights.

Amendments: Material amendments require shareholder approval.  
 Administration: Administered by the compensation committee of the Board of Directors of Hennessy Advisors (the “Compensation Committee”).  
 Change of Control: “Single trigger” is required for accelerated vesting of equity awards in a change of control in which the awards are assumed or replaced, meaning that the mere change of control occurring might result in accelerated vesting.

The Compensation Committee has discretion to determine the individual employees or group of employees to whom awards will be granted and the terms and conditions of such awards. Hennessy Advisors cannot currently determine the awards that may be granted under the plan. The Compensation Committee will make such determinations from time to time.

The Plan is described in more detail in the Company’s proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Schedule 14A on December 14, 2012. The description of the Plan set forth above does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Plan, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 10 to this Current Report and is incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders**

The Annual Meeting was held January 17, 2013. At the Annual Meeting, the following directors were elected for terms expiring at the annual meeting of shareholders to be held in 2014 by the votes indicated:

|                    | For       | Withheld | Broker Nonvotes |
|--------------------|-----------|----------|-----------------|
| Neil J. Hennessy   | 3,127,767 | 2,400    | 1,825,732       |
| Teresa M. Nilsen   | 3,126,967 | 3,200    | 1,825,732       |
| Daniel B. Steadman | 3,127,767 | 2,400    | 1,825,732       |
| Henry Hansel       | 3,127,767 | 2,400    | 1,825,732       |
| Brian A. Hennessy  | 3,127,767 | 2,400    | 1,825,732       |
| Rodger Offenbach   | 3,127,767 | 2,400    | 1,825,732       |
| Daniel G. Libarle  | 3,127,767 | 2,400    | 1,825,732       |
| Thomas L. Seavey   | 3,127,767 | 2,400    | 1,825,732       |

The following reflects the voting results for matters other than the election of directors brought for vote at the Annual Meeting:

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|  | For       | Against | Abstained | Broker<br>Nonvotes |
|--|-----------|---------|-----------|--------------------|
| Approval of Hennessy Advisors, Inc. 2013<br>Omnibus Incentive Plan                                   | 3,039,334 | 83,209  | 7,624     | 1,825,732          |
| Ratification of Marcum LLP as Hennessy<br>Advisors' independent registered public<br>accounting firm | 4,951,962 | 0       | 3,937     | 0                  |

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

Exhibit Description

10 Hennessy Advisors, Inc. 2013 Omnibus Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to Hennessy Advisors' definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A for the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on January 17, 2013 (File No. 000-49872)).

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SIGNATURES

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

**HENNESSY  
ADVISORS, INC.**

January 24, 2013 By: /s/ Neil J. Hennessy  
Neil J. Hennessy  
President and CEO

**HENNESSY ADVISORS, INC.**

Exhibit Index to Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 17, 2013

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