

MERCURY COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC

Form S-8 POS

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Registration No. 333-112990

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

MERCURY COMPUTER SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Massachusetts
(State of Incorporation)

04-2741391
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

199 Riverneck Road

Chelmsford, Massachusetts 01824

(978) 256-1300

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

MERCURY COMPUTER SYSTEMS, INC.

1997 STOCK OPTION PLAN

(Full Title of the Plan)

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Mercury Computer Systems, Inc. (the Company) is filing this post-effective amendment to deregister certain of the securities originally registered pursuant to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-112990), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 20, 2004 by the Company (the Registration Statement) with respect to shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (Common Stock), thereby registered for issuance under the Company's 1997 Stock Option Plan, as amended (the 1997 Plan). An aggregate of 1,000,000 shares of Common Stock were registered for issuance under the 1997 Plan pursuant to the Registration Statement.

On November 14, 2005, the Company's shareholders approved the Company's 2005 Stock Incentive Plan (the 2005 Plan), which replaces the 1997 Plan as of the date of approval. Following the approval of the 2005 Plan, no future awards will be made under the 1997 Plan. The maximum number of shares of Common Stock reserved and available for issuance under the 2005 Plan includes the shares available for issuance under the 1997 Plan, as of the effective date of the 2005 Plan. The total number of shares available for grant under the 1997 Plan on that date was 1,942,264 shares (the Carried Forward Shares). The Carried Forward Shares include 942,264 shares registered under the Registration Statement, which are hereby deregistered. Additional shares reserved for issuance under the 1997 Plan may become available in the future as a result of the forfeiture, cancellation or termination of awards (other than by exercise) under the 1997 Plan, and these additional shares will be included in the shares reserved for issuance under the 2005 Plan.

Contemporaneously with the filing of this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement, the Company is filing a Registration Statement on Form S-8 to register the Carried Forward Shares for issuance pursuant to the 2005 Plan.

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EXHIBIT INDEX

| <u>Exhibit No.</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|--------------------|---|
| 23.1* | Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP |
| 24.1 | Powers of Attorney (included on the signature page to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 previously filed on February 20, 2004) |

* Filed herewith