LEAP WIRELESS INTERNATIONAL INC Form 8-K May 24, 2006

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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 18, 2006

LEAP WIRELESS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 000-29752 33-0811062

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10307 Pacific Center Court San Diego, California 92121

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(858) 882-6000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Salary Increase and Bonus to Chief Executive Officer.

On May 18, 2006, the board of directors of Leap Wireless International, Inc. (the Company) authorized an increase in the annual salary of S. Douglas Hutcheson, the Company s President and Chief Executive Officer, from \$550,000 per year to \$575,000 per year. Also on May 18, 2006, the Company s board of directors authorized the payment of a bonus of \$100,000 to Mr. Hutcheson. The bonus is in recognition of his performance and is in addition to any amounts that may be payable in the future to Mr. Hutcheson under the Company s 2006 annual bonus plan.

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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.

LEAP WIRELESS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Date: May 24, 2006 By /s/ ROBERT J. IRVING, JR.

Name: Robert J. Irving, Jr.

Title: Senior Vice President and General

Counsel