
**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: March 2, 2009
(Date of earliest event reported)**

IDEX CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State of
Incorporation)

1-10235
(Commission File Number)

36-3555336
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**630 Dundee Road
Northbrook, Illinois 60062**
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(847) 498-7070
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 5.02 — Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements with Certain Officers.

Management Incentive Compensation Plan for Key Employees

On February 24, 2009, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of IDEX Corporation (the “Company”) amended and restated the Management Incentive Compensation Plan for Key Employees (the “MICP”) to add additional performance criteria on which bonuses could be paid, as well as eliminate set weightings for the objective performance criteria. In the future bonuses under the MICP may be based on any one or more of the following criteria: margin growth, net earnings (either before or after interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization), economic value-added (as determined by the Compensation Committee), sales or revenue, net income (either before or after taxes), operating earnings, cash flow (including, but not limited to, operating cash flow and free cash flow), return on capital, return on assets (net or gross), return on stockholders’ equity, stockholder returns, return on sales, gross or net profit margin, productivity, expense margins, operating efficiency, customer satisfaction, working capital, earnings per share, price per share, new product development, and market share. Each year the Compensation Committee will set the performance criteria and the weightings for each performance criteria selected. 65% of the bonus is dependent upon satisfaction of the objective performance criteria selected by the Compensation Committee from the above list. The remaining 35% of an executive’s bonus is determined based on an internally-assessed business unit product innovation objective (10%), and performance against 12 behavioral objectives (“qualitative behavioral factors”) set forth in the MICP (25%), neither of which was changed.

On February 24, 2009 under the revised MICP, the Compensation Committee set the following performance objectives for the officers of the Company participating in the plan, with the following weightings for 2009:

- 50% — earnings per share
- 15% — cash flow
- 10% — business unit innovation
- 25% — qualitative behavioral factors

Item 9.01 — Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

- 10.1 Revised and Restated IDEX Corporation Management Incentive Compensation Plan for Key Employees, effective as of January 1, 2009
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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.

IDEX CORPORATION

By: /s/ Dominic A. Romeo

Dominic A. Romeo

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

March 2, 2009

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<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
10.1	Revised and Restated IDEX Corporation Management Incentive Compensation Plan for Key Employees, effective as of January 1, 2009

IDEX CORPORATION
NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS
REVISED AND RESTATED
IDEX MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE COMPENSATION PLAN
FOR KEY EMPLOYEES
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2009

1. The purpose of this Plan is to provide incentive and reward to “key employees” who contribute to the profits of the enterprise by their invention, ability, industry, loyalty or exceptional service, through making them participants in that success. The primary objectives of the Plan are to:

- Effectively incent desired organizational performance levels by focusing on a few quantitative and qualitative indicators that drive overall company performance.
- Ensure accountability, support, and accomplishment of corporate-wide initiatives.
- Provide leverage for support of multi-business unit activities to take advantage of synergies across units and within newly-formed groups.
- Enhance the reward and retention of top performers.

As herein used, the word “key employees” shall be understood to include the Corporation’s officers, key executive office managerial employees, business unit presidents, and other executives employed in the business units and subsidiaries (operating units) the Corporation generally reporting to an operating unit president, or other key managerial or professional employees engaged in capacities of special responsibility and trust in the development, conduct, or management of the operating unit who may from time to time in the manner herein set forth be deemed and determined by the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation to be “key employees” for a particular award year.

2. Full power and authority to construe, interpret and administer this Plan shall be vested in the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Corporation. However, the day-to-day administration of the Plan shall be the responsibility of the senior management of the Corporation, and the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors shall rely on the senior management for recommendations for awards and interpretation, when necessary. Decisions of the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors shall be final, conclusive, and binding upon all parties, including the Corporation, the stockholders, and the employees.

3. An employee shall be eligible for consideration for extra compensation if he or she is an employee of the Corporation or a subsidiary and remains an employee as of the last day of the fiscal year. No employee whose compensation, under a contract of employment or otherwise, is determined in whole or in part on a commission basis, and no person who is compensated on the basis of a fee or retainer, as distinguished from salary, shall be eligible for extra compensation for the period during which his or her compensation is so determined.
4. Subject to the provisions of this Plan, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors shall have full discretion in making extra compensation awards.
5. Extra compensation awards with respect to any fiscal year (the "award year") shall be made as soon as feasible after the close of such fiscal year. Awards shall be made and the beneficiaries shall be notified thereof and paid therefore promptly, and in any event, between January 1 and March 15 of the year following the award year.
6. This document describes the process that will be used to determine extra compensation awards for each Plan participant.
7. The amount awarded to a "key employee" under the Plan shall be determined in accordance with the following Plan description:

A. MICP PLAN FACTORS

The Plan will use the following factors to determine individual extra compensation payments:

- The Plan participant's Annual Base Salary as of January 1 of the respective MICP award year.
- Individual Target Bonus Percentage, based on the position content of the participant's current job. Target Bonus Percentages range from 15% to 65% based on the salary grade assigned.
- Corporate and Business unit performance against Quantitative Performance Objectives, representing 65% of the Target Bonus Percentage.
- Performance against internally-assessed Business unit quantitative product innovation objectives, representing 10% of the Target Bonus Percentage.
- Business unit performance against 12 behavioral objectives, representing 25% of the Target Bonus Percentage.
- An individual Personal Performance Multiplier, ranging from 0.00 to 1.30; the purpose of this individual multiplier is to identify and appropriately award top performers and below average performers.

B. QUANTITATIVE PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

Corporate and business unit accomplishments will be measured against any one or more of the following Quantitative Performance Objectives:

- margin growth
- net earnings (either before or after interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and non-recurring items),
- economic value-added (as determined by the Compensation Committee),
- sales or revenue, net income (either before or after taxes),
- operating earnings,
- cash flow (including, but not limited to, operating cash flow and free cash flow),
- return on capital,
- return on assets (net or gross),
- return on stockholders' equity,
- stockholder returns,
- return on sales,
- gross or net profit margin,
- productivity,
- expense margins,
- operating efficiency,
- customer satisfaction,
- working capital,
- earnings per share,
- price per share,
- new product development, and
- market share.

Target, Minimum, and Maximum performance objectives will normally be established for each Quantitative Performance Objective selected following the Board of Directors' review of the IDEX business plan at the first Board meeting of the year and by March 31 each year. Objectives will usually be established on a business unit basis. In some instances where individual locations within business units operate on a more independent basis from the respective units, all or some objectives may be established on a location basis. In addition, objectives may be established on operating group and corporate-wide basis to determine accomplishments and bonus earned for group executives and executive office staff, respectively.

Objectives established will reflect unit business plans, economic and market conditions, and reasonable expectations of accomplishment. Bonus earned at target performance in each Quantitative Performance Objective will be individually weighted as a specified percent of the individual target bonus percentage as set by the Compensation Committee each award year in its discretion.

For performance in between Minimum and Target and between Target and Maximum, the Compensation Committee will interpolate the appropriate bonus percentage earned. Results will be stated on a constant exchange rate assumption so that results of international locations will be included and considered on a currency neutral basis.

In the event an acquired company is added to a business unit during the year, appropriate adjustments will be made to the targets to reflect the acquisition. The decisions of Corporate management as to the amount of such adjustments shall be binding and final.

C. QUANTITATIVE INNOVATION OBJECTIVES

This objective is weighted 10% and measured in two quantitative areas along with an evaluation against qualifying criteria.

- New Sales Dollars — Sales from new products introduced or new market applications developed and served in the last two years.
- Gross Margin Dollars — The incremental gross margin dollars created from those new products or markets.
- Qualitative Evaluation — A council, consisting of the Chief Executive Officer and Group executives, will review each business unit's innovation accomplishments based on secondary criteria including the number of product/market ideas executed, an indicator of customer satisfaction with new products or applications, whether the innovation obsoletes or replaces an existing product, and the extent it better rationalizes the overall product offering.

Each business unit's goal is to be at or above the Company median in innovation. Actual bonus awards will be determined each year by the Compensation Committee in its discretion.

D. QUALITATIVE MEASUREMENT FACTORS

Business unit accomplishments will also be measured against 12 behavioral objectives anchored by specific criteria at benchmark levels of performance. This component is weighted 25% of the individual target bonus percentage and can range from 0% to 50%, depending on total achievement against the following qualitative criteria:

DEMONSTRATED LEADERSHIP — (BUSINESS UNIT MANAGEMENT TEAM)

- Energy
- Energize
- Edge
- Execution

KEY PROCESS MANAGEMENT — (BUSINESS UNIT-WIDE)

- Process Orientation and Data Driven
- Sourcing Cost Reduction
- New Product Development Strategy
- New Product Development Pace
- Commercial Excellence

STAKEHOLDER INTERESTS — (BUSINESS UNIT-WIDE)

- People Development
- Integration Effectiveness
- Customer Attention

Each criterion will be evaluated on a scale as compared to the criteria definition on the Qualitative Factors worksheet and a total Bonus percentage computed.

E. PERSONAL PERFORMANCE MULTIPLIER

A Personal Performance Multiplier will be determined each year for each MICP participant. The Personal Performance Multiplier and its distribution among MICP participants will be as follows:

Personal Performance Multiplier	Distribution Among MICP Participants
1.30	Top 15% of participants
1.15	Next 10%
1.0	Middle 65%
0.75 or 0.00	Bottom 10%

The Personal Performance Multiplier determination will reflect individual performance in the participant’s job and unit during the award year, as well as active support of and contribution to the success of corporate initiatives and achieving inter-unit synergies. Business unit presidents will make recommendations for Personal Performance Multiplier ratings within their units. Recommendations for Personal Performance Multipliers for each business unit Plan participant will be submitted by the business unit president to the respective group executive by October 15 of each award year.

Group executives will be responsible for managing the distribution of ratings according to the specified distribution above within the participants from their respective groups, subject to the final review by the Chief Executive Officer of the corporation. In the “Bottom 10%” category, there is no required distribution between assigned ‘0.75’ and ‘0.00’ multipliers; either multiplier may be assigned based on the participant’s performance.

The Chief Executive Officer will be responsible for managing the distribution of ratings within the group of officers, business unit presidents, and executive office participants.

F. TOTAL BONUS CALCULATION

The Total Bonus Calculation for each individual participant will be determined as follows:

THE SUM OF

Bonus percentages earned on each of the Quantitative Performance Objectives

PLUS

Bonus percentage earned on the Innovation Factor

PLUS

Bonus percentage earned on the Qualitative Measurement Factors

TIMES

Personal Performance Multiplier

TIMES

Individual Target Bonus Percentage

TIMES

Annual Base Salary as of January 1 of award year

The maximum bonus opportunity can be achieved when all quantitative and qualitative objectives meet the maximum performance levels (200% of target) and the highest Personal Performance Multiplier of 1.30 is awarded.

Where a participant has had a salary increase during the year, the bonus will be prorated to reflect the change. In addition, where a participant has moved into another position with a different Individual Target Bonus Percentage or transferred to a different business unit, the bonus calculation will be prorated to reflect the different Individual Target Bonus Percentages and the different unit objectives measurement respectively.

G. SPECIAL ADJUSTMENTS

In unusual circumstances, awards to specific individuals or units may be adjusted positively or negatively to reflect performance, which significantly affected the operating results of the unit or company. Such adjustments will be recommended by the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation and approved by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. However, these adjustments will be made infrequently and on the basis of unusual positive or negative performance.

8. While the Plan provides that participants must be an employee at the end of the year in order to be eligible for payments under the Plan, exceptions will be made in the case of death, total and permanent disability, or retirement at or after normal or early retirement. "Normal retirement" means termination of service on or after attaining at least five (5) years of service and an age of 65; "early retirement" means attaining at least 10 years of service and an age of at least 55. In such cases, the participant will receive an extra compensation payment for the prorated portion of the year (measured to the nearest full month) he or she was employed by the Corporation. The prorated payment will be based on actual quantitative performance through the end of the award year in which death, disability, or retirement occurs and a Target Personal Performance Multiplier of 1.00. The prorated extra compensation payment shall be paid along with bonus payments to

other Plan participants following the end of the award year. A participant who leaves the employ of the Corporation prior to the end of the calendar year for any reason other than death, disability, or retirement, as specified above, shall not be entitled to any payment under this Plan.

9. If a beneficiary dies, his or her unpaid extra compensation awards, if any, shall be paid and delivered in accordance with the terms specified in applicable beneficiary or trust arrangements, if any, to his or her legal representatives or to the persons entitled thereto as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction. Such unpaid extra compensation awards, if any, may be paid out as determined by the Corporation in its discretion subject to the approval of the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors.
10. This Plan was effective as of January 22, 1988, and was amended and restated as of January 1, 1996, January 1, 1999, January 1, 2001, January 1, 2003, January 1, 2005 and January 1, 2008. While, as in the past, it is contemplated that extra compensation will be awarded annually, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors shall have the right to modify, suspend, or terminate this Plan at any time.