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): June 16, 2011

NOVATEL WIRELESS, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

COMMISSION FILE: 000-31659

DELAWARE

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 86-0824673 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

9645 Scranton Road San Diego, CA 92121 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (858) 812-3400

N/A

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

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ITEM 5.02 Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(f) On June 16, 2011, the Compensation Committee of the Novatel Wireless, Inc. Board of Directors approved individual performance awards for 2010 performance under the Company's annual incentive compensation plan for the Named Executive Officers identified in the Company's annual proxy statement filed with the SEC on May 2, 2011. The total compensation for 2010 for each Named Executive Officer reported in the Summary Compensation Table on page 32 of the Company's annual proxy statement has been recalculated to include individual performance awards as follows:

Named Executive Officer	 Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation— Individual Performance Award		2010 Total <u>Compensation</u>
Peter V. Leparulo	\$	125,000	\$ 1,503,687
Kenneth G. Leddon		42,000	700,798
Robert Hadley		42,000	750,870
Catherine F. Ratcliffe		40,000	688,240
Slim S. Souissi		35,000	786,771

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Novatel Wireless, Inc.

By: /s/ Catherine F. Ratcliffe

Catherine F. Ratcliffe Senior Vice President of Business Affairs & General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Date: June 22, 2011