# 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 12, 2011

# Mercury Computer Systems, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Massachusetts (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 000-23599 (Commission File Number) 04-2741391 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

201 Riverneck Road, Chelmsford, Massachusetts 01824 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (978) 256-1300

**Not Applicable** 

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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### Forward-Looking Statement Disclaimer

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## Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On January 12, 2011, Mercury Computer Systems, Inc. (the "Company" or "Mercury") entered into a stock purchase agreement (the "Stock Purchase Agreement") with LNX Corporation ("LNX"), the holders of the equity interests of LNX, and Lamberto Raffaelli, as the sellers' representative and pursuant to the Stock Purchase Agreement, Mercury completed its purchase of all of the outstanding equity interests in LNX, and LNX became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mercury.

LNX is a leading supplier of integrated RF/digital products including radio frequency (RF), microwave and millimeter wave (mmW) components and integrated assemblies.

Mercury acquired LNX for an all cash purchase price of \$31.0 million plus an earnout of up to \$5.0 million payable in cash based upon achievement of financial targets during 2011 and 2012 as set forth in the Stock Purchase Agreement. The purchase price is subject to post-closing adjustment based on a determination of closing net working capital. In accordance with the Stock Purchase Agreement, \$6.2 million of the purchase price was placed into escrow to support the post-closing working capital adjustment and the indemnification obligations of the sellers. Mercury funded the purchase price with cash on hand. Mercury acquired LNX free of bank debt. Immediately prior to the consummation of the acquisition, LNX divested its non-defense global procurement business.

The foregoing description of the Stock Purchase Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Stock Purchase Agreement, a copy of which will be filed with Mercury's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

The Stock Purchase Agreement contains customary representations and warranties and related indemnification agreements made by and to the parties thereto as to specific dates. The assertions embodied in those representations and warranties are qualified by information contained in confidential disclosure schedules that the parties exchanged in connection with negotiating the terms of the Stock Purchase Agreement. Accordingly, potential investors and Mercury shareholders should not rely on such representations and warranties as characterizations of the actual state of

facts or circumstances, because they were only made as of the date of the Stock Purchase Agreement and are modified in important part by the underlying disclosure schedules. Moreover, information concerning the subject matter of such representations and warranties may change after the date of the Stock Purchase Agreement, which subsequent information may or may not be fully reflected in Mercury's public disclosures. In addition, certain representations and warranties may be subject to a contractual standard of materiality different from what might be viewed as material to shareholders, or may have been used for the purpose of allocating risk between the respective parties rather than establishing matters as facts. For the foregoing reasons, no person should rely on the representations and warranties as statements of factual information at the times they were made or otherwise.

## Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

The information set forth in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated in this Item 2.01 by reference.

# Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On January 12, 2011, Mercury issued a press release announcing the acquisition of LNX Corporation and Mercury's preliminary financial results for the quarter ended December 31, 2010. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto. The information provided in Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and in the attached Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release, dated January 12, 2011, of Mercury Computer Systems, Inc.

**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 thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: January 12, 2011

MERCURY COMPUTER SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ GERALD M. HAINES II

Gerald M. Haines II

Senior Vice President, Corporate Development

# **Exhibit Index**

Exhibit<br/>No.Description99.1Press Release, dated January 12, 2011, of Mercury Computer Systems, Inc.



# **News Release**

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

# Mercury Computer Announces Acquisition of LNX Corporation and Provides Preliminary Financial Results for Second Quarter of Fiscal 2011

- LNX acquisition increases Mercury content on the JCREW3.3 Counter IED program by over 40%
- Acquisition enhances Mercury's capabilities in the Signals Intelligence, Communications Intelligence and Electronic Attack markets

CHELMSFORD, Mass. – January 12, 2011 – Mercury Computer Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MRCY, www.mc.com), a trusted ISR subsystems provider, today announced that it has completed the acquisition of LNX Corporation. Based in Salem, New Hampshire, LNX designs and builds next generation RF receivers for Signals Intelligence, Communications Intelligence as well as Electronic Attack applications. Under the terms of a stock purchase agreement, Mercury acquired LNX for an all-cash purchase price of \$31.0 million plus an earn-out of up to \$5.0 million payable upon the achievement of financial targets in calendar years 2011 and 2012. The acquisition was funded with cash on hand, and is expected to be neutral to modestly accretive within the first year.

Mercury also reported preliminary financial results for its second fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2010. All results are presented and compared on a continuing operations basis. Revenues are expected to be approximately \$5.5 million, compared to \$45.2 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2010, while GAAP income from continuing operations is expected to be approximately \$0.20 per diluted share, compared to \$0.08 per diluted share for the second quarter of fiscal 2010. Adjusted EBITDA is expected to exceed the high end of the company's prior guidance, and cash flows from operating activities are expected to be a net inflow of approximately \$8.1 million, compared to a net inflow of \$5.2 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2010. These results will be discussed in more detail on Mercury's upcoming second quarter fiscal 2011 earnings call scheduled for January 25 at 5:00 PM ET.

"We are very pleased to have completed the acquisition of LNX Corporation and with our preliminary second quarter results. LNX is well-aligned with Mercury in terms of capitalizing on our existing program presence while providing capabilities that will become the standard-bearer for the EW systems we intend to target in the coming years. LNX is on a strong growth trajectory, which is a credit to its technological capabilities and unique program presence," said Mark Aslett, President and Chief Executive Officer, Mercury Computer Systems, Inc.

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"With the acquisition of LNX, Mercury now delivers the core radio frequency and signal processing for the JCREW 3.3 next generation counter-IED system. JCREW 3.3 is potentially Mercury's largest single program and this acquisition increases Mercury's content by more than 40%," Aslett added.

"In addition, the acquisition of LNX combined with our Echotek Product Group (EPG), a leader in digital receivers previously acquired by Mercury, paves the way for Mercury to develop a new generation of software-defined subsystems designed to detect, intercept and defeat current and next generation signals of interest on land, at sea and in the air," Aslett concluded.

"We are excited to be a part of Mercury as we have a shared vision for success in our common markets," said Lamberto Raffaelli, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, LNX Corporation. "Joining Mercury strongly positions us to continue expanding our current product line, while delivering the excellent levels of service and support our customers have come to expect. In addition, current and new LNX customers will clearly benefit from Mercury's financial and R&D strength."

LNX's operations will be combined with Mercury's Echotek Product Group (EPG) to form the new Microwave and Digital Solutions (MDS) group. The MDS group will specialize in the development of RF and mixed-signal application-ready subsystems and components for EW—SIGINT customers. Already a world-class supplier of rugged, mixed-signal products and technologies to the defense industry, the combination of LNX with EPG will enable Mercury to expand its ability to meet the growing need for more complete SIGINT solutions at the tactical edge, from RF through processing and exploitation to the network interface.

For more information on LNX's products, visit www.mc.com/LNX. In addition, Management will host a conference call at 8:30 a.m. EST tomorrow, Thursday, January 13, 2011, to discuss the acquisition and Mercury's preliminary second quarter fiscal 2011 financial results. Company representatives may answer questions concerning business and financial developments and trends and other business and financial matters affecting the Company, the responses to which may contain information that has not been previously disclosed.

To listen to the conference call, dial (888) 515-2235 in the USA and Canada, and (719) 457-2639 in all other countries. The conference ID number is 9174774. Please call five to ten minutes prior to the scheduled start time. A replay of the call will be available by telephone from approximately 11:30 a.m. EST on Thursday, January 13, 2011, through 11:30 a.m. EST on Tuesday, January 25, 2011. To access the replay, dial (888) 203-1112 in the USA and Canada, and (719) 457-0820 in all other countries. Enter access code 9174774.

# **About LNX Corporation**

Founded in 2001, LNX Corporation has enjoyed 10 years of double digit compound annual revenue growth while building its reputation for providing high performance solutions used in critical Defense and Homeland Security applications. Servicing domestic and international markets, LNX produces a market-leading portfolio of board-level products including microwave and millimeter wave integrated assemblies and components, MMIC-based transceivers, converters, and millimeter wave power amplifiers and digital products (digital receivers, DRFM, DIFM). These technologies are key components in defense applications such as radar and signal intelligence.

# About Mercury Computer Systems, Inc. - Where Challenges Drive Innovation®

Mercury Computer Systems (www.mc.com, NASDAQ: MRCY) is a best of breed provider of open, application-ready, multi-INT subsystems for the ISR market. With 25+ years' experience in embedded computing, superior domain expertise in radar, EW, EO/IR, C4I, and sonar applications, and more than 300 successful program deployments including Aegis, Global Hawk, and Predator, Mercury's Services and Systems Integration team leads the industry in partnering with defense and commercial customers to design and integrate system-level solutions that minimize program risk, maximize application portability, and accelerate customers' time to market.

Mercury is based in Chelmsford, Massachusetts, and serves customers worldwide through a broad network of direct sales offices, subsidiaries, and distributors.

# Forward-Looking Safe Harbor Statement

This press release contains certain forward-looking statements, as that term is defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including those relating to Mercury's preliminary second-quarter financial results and the acquisition of LNX Corporation and the subsequent integration of, and the expected synergies from, the acquisition. You can identify these statements by the use of the words "may," "will," "should," "plans," "expects," "anticipates," "continue," "estimate," "project," "intend," and similar expressions. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected or anticipated. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, general economic and business conditions, including unforeseen weakness in the Company's markets, effects of continued geopolitical unrest and regional conflicts, competition, changes in technology and methods of marketing, delays in completing engineering and manufacturing programs, changes in customer order patterns, changes in product mix, continued success in technological advances and delivering technological innovations, continued funding of defense programs, the timing of such funding, changes in the U.S. Government's interpretation of federal procurement rules and regulations, market acceptance of the Company's products, shortages in components, production delays due to performance quality issues with outsourced components, inability to fully realize the expected benefits from acquisitions and divestitures or delays in realizing such benefits, challenges in integrating acquired businesses and achieving anticipated synergies, changes to export regulations, increases in tax rates, changes to generally accepted accounting principles, difficulties in retaining key employees and customers, unanticipated costs under fixed-price service and system integration engagements, and various other factors beyond our control. These risks and uncertainties also include such additional risk factors as are discussed in the Company's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010. The Company cautions readers not to place undue reliance upon any such forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made. The Company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which such statement is made.

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