

SOHU COM INC
Form 8-K
April 07, 2009

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 (Date of earliest event reported): April 1, 2009

SOHU.COM INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-30961
(Commission File Number)

Level 12, Sohu.com Internet Plaza

98-0204667
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

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No. 1 Unit Zhongguancun East Road, Haidian District

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(Address, including zip code, of registrant's principal executive offices
and registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On April 1, 2009, the registrant Sohu.com Inc. (the Company) entered into an underwriting agreement (the Underwriting Agreement) by and among (i) Changyou.com Limited (Changyou), Sohu.com (Game) Limited (Sohu Game), and the Company and (ii)(A) Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC (Credit Suisse) and (B) Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated (Merrill Lynch), as representatives of the several underwriters (the Underwriters) named in Schedule A thereto.

The Company entered into the Underwriting Agreement in connection with a registration statement on Form F-1 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Changyou, which is an indirect subsidiary of the Company, for an initial public offering (the Offering) of American depositary shares (or ADSs), each representing two Class A ordinary shares of Changyou. Under the Underwriting Agreement, Changyou agreed to issue and sell to the Underwriters 3.75 million ADSs. Sohu Game, which is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, agreed to sell, as selling shareholder, 3.75 million ADSs. Sohu Game also granted to the Underwriters the option to purchase from Sohu Game up to an additional 1.125 million ADS, solely to cover over-allotments, exercisable at any time within 30 days after the date of the Underwriting Agreement. Changyou and Sohu Game agreed to sell the ADSs to the Underwriters at a price of \$14.88 per ADSs, which is net of a 7% underwriting discount from the initial public offering price of \$16 per ADS.

The closing of the transactions contemplated by the Underwriting Agreement was completed on April 7, 2009, and included the exercise in full of the Underwriters' over-allotment option. At the closing, the Company sold 3.75 million ADSs to the Underwriters and Sohu Game sold 4.875 million ADSs to the Underwriters. Proceeds from the Offering to the Company and Sohu Game, after deduction of the underwriting discounts, but without deducting expenses of the Offering payable by the Company and Sohu Game, were \$128.3 million in the aggregate, of which of which \$55.8 million were paid to the Company and \$72.5 million were paid to Sohu Game.

Under the Underwriting Agreement, the Company also agreed to indemnify the Underwriters with respect to certain losses, claims, damages or liabilities that might be incurred by the Underwriters in connection with the Offering.

SIGNATURES

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

DATED: April 7, 2009

SOHU.COM INC.

By: /s/ Carol Yu
Co-President and Chief Financial Officer