SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

UNITED STATES

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) October 14, 2010

HENNESSY ADVISORS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California	000-49872	68-0176227
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission	(IRS Employer
of incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)

7250 Redwood Blvd., Suite 200 Novato, California

(Address of principal executive offices)

94945 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: (415) 899-1555

Not Applicable

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

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Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On October 14, 2010, Hennessy Advisors, Inc. issued a press release announcing that it had declared a cash dividend of \$0.09 per share on its common stock, payable November 18, 2010 to shareholders of record at the close of business on October 27, 2010. A copy of the press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99. to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated into this Form 8-K by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release Dated October 14, 2010

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

HENNESSY ADVISORS, INC. (registrant)

October 14, 2010

By:/s/ Daniel B. Steadman
Daniel B. Steadman
Executive Vice President

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99.1 Press Release Dated October 14, 2010