

ARI NETWORK SERVICES INC /WI  
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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): January 3, 2005

ARI NETWORK SERVICES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Wisconsin  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

0-19608  
(Commission  
File Number)

39-1388360  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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11425 West Lake Park Drive, Suite 900  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

(Address of principal executive offices)

53224  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (414) 973-4300

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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 January 3, 2005, ARI Network Services, Inc. (the Company) entered into a Consulting Agreement with Ascent Partners, Inc. Mr. Ted Feierstein, a director of the Company, is the managing director of Ascent Partners and will perform the consulting services. The engagement relates to the Company's proposed marketing services offering for its dealer customers. The Consulting Agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon thirty days prior written notice.

As compensation for such services, Ascent Partners will receive an hourly fee of \$300 and reimbursement for all reasonable travel and other pre-approved out-of-pocket expenses incurred in the performance of its duties. In addition, the Company will pay one-time modeling expenses of approximately \$5,000.

The Consulting Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
10.1	Consulting Agreement between ARI Network Services, Inc. and Ascent Partners, Inc. dated as of January 3, 2005

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 hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: January 3, 2005

ARI NETWORK SERVICES, INC.

By: /s/ Brian E. Dearing\_\_\_\_\_

Brian E. Dearing

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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