ELECTRONIC ARTS INC. Form SC TO-C May 27, 2009

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549** 

## **SCHEDULE TO**

TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(1) OR 13(e)(1) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

# **ELECTRONIC ARTS INC.**

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer) and Filing Person (Offeror))

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

285512109

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities (Underlying Common Stock))

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- third party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.
- issuer tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4.  $\mathbf{X}$
- going-private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3. amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the tender offer: "

On May 27, 2009, Electronic Arts Inc. (EA) filed a preliminary proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of EA to be held on July 29, 2009, which contains a proposal submitted to the EA s stockholders to approve a voluntary stock option exchange program for eligible employees (the Exchange Program). In connection with the Exchange Program, EA is providing the following documents to its employees:

- A. An email from Gabrielle Toledano, EA s Executive Vice President of Human Resources, dated May 27, 2009 regarding the Exchange Program; and
- B. A summary overview document containing information regarding the Exchange Program, dated May 27, 2009, which was attached to the email referenced above.

The Exchange Program has not yet commenced and will not commence unless the requisite stockholder approval is obtained at EA s 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on July 29, 2009. Even if stockholder approval is obtained, EA may still decide later not to implement the Exchange Program.

Upon commencement of the Exchange Program, EA will provide employees who are eligible to participate with written materials explaining the precise terms and timing of the Exchange Program. EA will also file these written materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) as part of a tender offer statement on Schedule TO. EMPLOYEES WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EXCHANGE PROGRAM ARE URGED TO READ THESE WRITTEN MATERIALS CAREFULLY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE EXCHANGE PROGRAM. EA s employees will be able to obtain the written materials described above and other documents filed by EA with the SEC free of charge from the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. In addition, EA s employees may obtain free copies of documents filed by EA with the SEC at http://investor.ea.com, or by directing a request to Electronic Arts Inc., 209 Redwood Shores Parkway, Redwood City, California 94065, attention: Investor Relations, telephone: (650) 628-7352.

### Item 12. Exhibits.

#### Exhibit

Number	Description
99.1	Preliminary Proxy Statement for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (filed with the SEC on May 27, 2009 and incorporated herein by reference).
99.2	Email from Gabrielle Toledano, EA s Executive Vice President of Human Resources to employees of EA dated May 27, 2009 regarding the Exchange Program.
99.3	Summary overview document containing information regarding the Exchange Program dated May 27, 2009.