

FORCE PROTECTION INC
Form SC TO-T/A
December 19, 2011

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE TO

Tender Offer Statement Under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 4)

Force Protection, Inc.

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

Falcon Acquisition Corp.

a wholly-owned subsidiary of

General Dynamics Corporation

(Name of Filing Persons (Offerors))

Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

345203202

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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CALCULATION OF FILING FEE

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Transaction Valuation (1)
\$358,738,077

Amount of Filing Fee (2)
\$41,111.39

- (1) Estimated for purposes of calculating the amount of the filing fee only, in accordance with Rule 0-11(d) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the **Exchange Act**). Calculated by multiplying \$5.52, the per share tender offer price, by the 64,988,782 outstanding shares of common stock of Force Protection, Inc. (including 1,279,651 outstanding time vested restricted shares and 691,550 outstanding performance-based restricted shares) as of November 4, 2011.
- (2) The filing fee was calculated in accordance with Rule 0-11 under the Exchange Act, and Fee Rate Advisory #3 for fiscal year 2012, issued September 29, 2011, by multiplying the transaction valuation by 0.0001146.

- x Check the box if any part of the fee is offset as provided by Rule 0-11(a)(2) and identify the filing with which the offsetting fee was previously paid. Identify the previous filing by registration statement number, or the Form or Schedule and the date of its filing.

Amount Previously Paid: \$41,111.39
Form or Registration No.: 005-54295

Filing Party: General Dynamics Corporation and Falcon Acquisition Corp.
Date Filed: November 18, 2011

- .. Check the box if the filing relates solely to preliminary communications made before the commencement of a tender offer.
Check the appropriate boxes below to designate any transactions to which the statement relates:

x third party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.

.. issuer tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4.

.. 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: x

This Amendment No. 4 (this **Amendment No. 4**) amends and supplements the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO initially filed on November 18, 2011 by (i) Falcon Acquisition Corp., a Nevada corporation (**Purchaser**) and a wholly-owned subsidiary of General Dynamics Corporation, a Delaware corporation (**Parent**), and (ii) Parent (as previously amended and supplemented, the **Initial Schedule TO** and which, together with this Amendment No. 4, collectively constitute this **Schedule TO**). This Schedule TO relates to the offer by Purchaser to purchase all of the shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (**Shares**), of Force Protection, Inc., a Nevada corporation (the **Company**), that are issued and outstanding, at a price per Share of \$5.52, in cash, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the offer to purchase, dated November 18, 2011 (as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, the **Offer to Purchase**), and the related letter of transmittal (as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, the **Letter of Transmittal**, and together with the Offer to Purchase, the **Offer**), copies of which are attached to this Schedule TO as Exhibits (a)(1)(A) and (a)(1)(B), respectively.

Except as otherwise set forth below, the information set forth in the Initial Schedule TO remains unchanged and is incorporated herein by reference as relevant to items in this Amendment No. 4. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Initial Schedule TO and the related exhibits incorporated therein by reference.

This Amendment No. 4 is being filed to amend and supplement Items 1-11 and Item 12 as reflected below.

Items 1-11.

Items 1-11 are hereby amended and supplemented by adding the following:

At 12:00 midnight, New York City time, at the end of Friday, December 16, 2011, the Offer expired as scheduled, and was not extended. Purchaser and Parent have been advised by the Depositary that, as of the Expiration Date, a total of 51,667,698 Shares (including 3,681,524 Shares subject to guaranteed delivery procedures as described in the Offer to Purchase) were validly tendered and not validly withdrawn, representing approximately 81.7% of Shares then outstanding on a fully diluted basis (as determined pursuant to the Merger Agreement). As a result, the Minimum Condition has been satisfied. All conditions to the Offer having been satisfied, Purchaser has accepted for payment, and expects to promptly pay for, all Shares validly tendered and not validly withdrawn pursuant to the Offer.

Purchaser intends to exercise the Top Up Option to purchase, at a price per Share equal to \$5.52, an aggregate number of additional Shares that, when added to the number of Shares owned by Purchaser immediately prior to the exercise of the Top-Up Option (which for these purposes does not include Shares that have been tendered subject to guaranteed delivery procedures and not yet delivered), results in Purchaser owning one Share more than 90% of the Shares then outstanding.

Following the exercise of the Top Up Option, Purchaser intends to effect a short-form merger with the Company under Nevada law. The Merger is expected to be consummated no later than December 20, 2011, at which time the Company will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent. At the Effective Time, each of the Shares not validly tendered into the Offer (except for Shares that are owned by any of Parent, Purchaser, the Company or any of their direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries) will cease to be issued and outstanding and will be converted into the right to receive the same price per Share

of \$5.52 in cash, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes, that was paid in the Offer. The Depositary, acting as the paying agent for the Merger, will mail to the remaining former stockholders of the Company materials necessary to exchange their former Shares for such payment.

As promptly as practicable after consummation of the Merger, Parent intends to cause all Shares to be delisted from the NASDAQ and deregistered under the Exchange Act, after which the Company will no longer have reporting obligations under the Exchange Act.

The press release announcing, among other things, the expiration of the Offer and the acceptance of Shares is attached hereto as Exhibit (a)(5)(C) and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 12. Exhibits

Item 12 of the Initial Schedule TO is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the following exhibit:

| Exhibit No. | Description |
|------------------------|---|
| (a)(5)(C) | Press Release of General Dynamics, dated December 19, 2011. |

SIGNATURES

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: December 19, 2011

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION

By: /s/ GREGORY S. GALLOPOULOS
Name: Gregory S. Gallopoulos
Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and
Secretary

FALCON ACQUISITION CORP.

By: /s/ GREGORY S. GALLOPOULOS
Name: Gregory S. Gallopoulos
Title: Vice President and Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

| Exhibit | |
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| No. | Description |
| (a)(1)(A) | Offer to Purchase, dated November 18, 2011, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (a)(1)(A) to the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed November 18, 2011. |
| (a)(1)(B) | Form of Letter of Transmittal, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (a)(1)(B) to the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed November 18, 2011. |
| (a)(1)(C) | Form of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (a)(1)(C) to the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed November 18, 2011. |
| (a)(1)(D) | Form of Letter to Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (a)(1)(D) to the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed November 18, 2011. |
| (a)(1)(E) | Form of Letter to Clients for use by Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (a)(1)(E) to the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed November 18, 2011. |
| (a)(1)(F) | Form of Summary Advertisement as published in <i>The Wall Street Journal</i> on November 18, 2011, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (a)(1)(F) to the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed November 18, 2011. |
| (a)(1)(G) | Form of Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (a)(1)(G) to the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed November 18, 2011. |
| (a)(1)(H) | Email from Assistant Corporate Secretary of Force Protection, Inc., to certain employees of Force Protection, Inc., dated November 15, 2011, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K of Force Protection, Inc. filed November 15, 2011. |
| (a)(2) | The Solicitation/Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 of Force Protection, Inc. filed November 18, 2011, as amended. |
| (a)(3) | Not applicable |
| (a)(4) | Not applicable |
| (a)(5)(A) | Press Release of General Dynamics Corporation, dated November 7, 2011, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (a)(5)(A) to the Schedule TO of General Dynamics Corporation filed November 7, 2011. |
| (a)(5)(B) | Press Release of General Dynamics Corporation, dated December 16, 2011, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (a)(5)(B) to Amendment No. 3 to the Schedule TO of General Dynamics Corporation filed December 16, 2011. |
| (a)(5)(C) | Press Release of General Dynamics, dated December 19, 2011.* |
| (b)(1) | Not applicable |
| (d)(1) | Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of November 7, 2011, by and among General Dynamics Corporation, Falcon Acquisition Corp. and Force Protection, Inc., incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the second Current Report on Form 8-K of Force Protection, Inc. filed November 7, 2011. |
| (d)(2) | Confidentiality Agreement dated as of October 13, 2010, as amended by an amendment, dated as of October 11, 2011, between the Company and General Dynamics Land Systems Inc., incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (e)(2) to the Solicitation/Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 of Force Protection, Inc. filed November 18, 2011. |
| (d)(3) | Amendment No. 1 to the Merger Agreement, dated as of November 30, 2011, by and among General Dynamics Corporation, Falcon Acquisition Corp. and Force Protection, Inc., incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (d)(3) to Amendment No. 1 to the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed December 1, 2011. |
| (g) | Not applicable |
| (h) | Not applicable |

* Filed herewith.